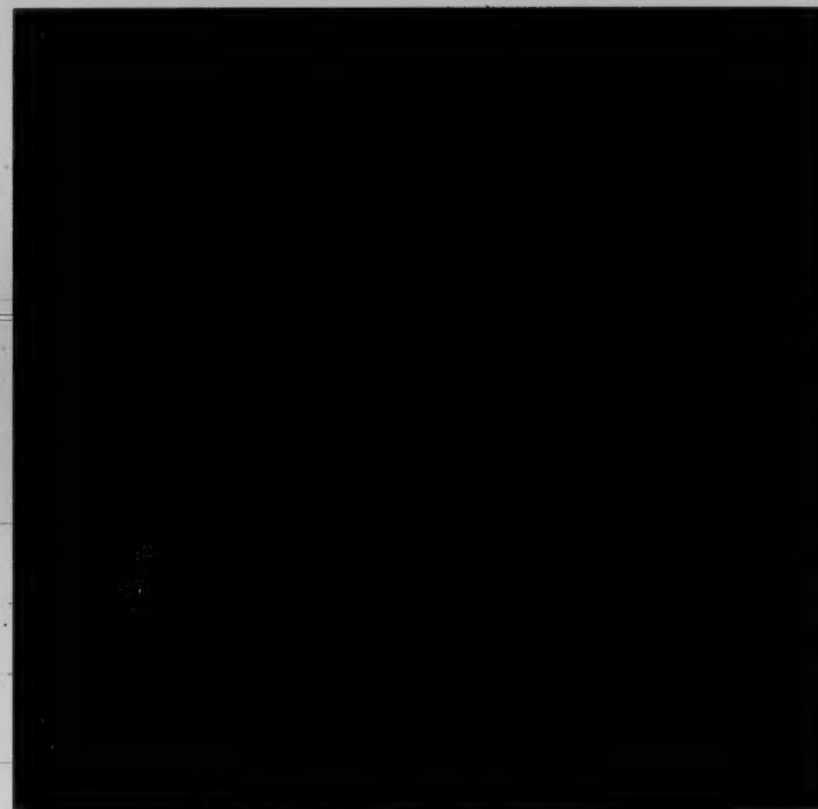
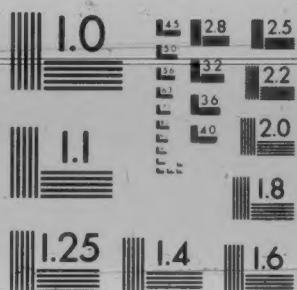
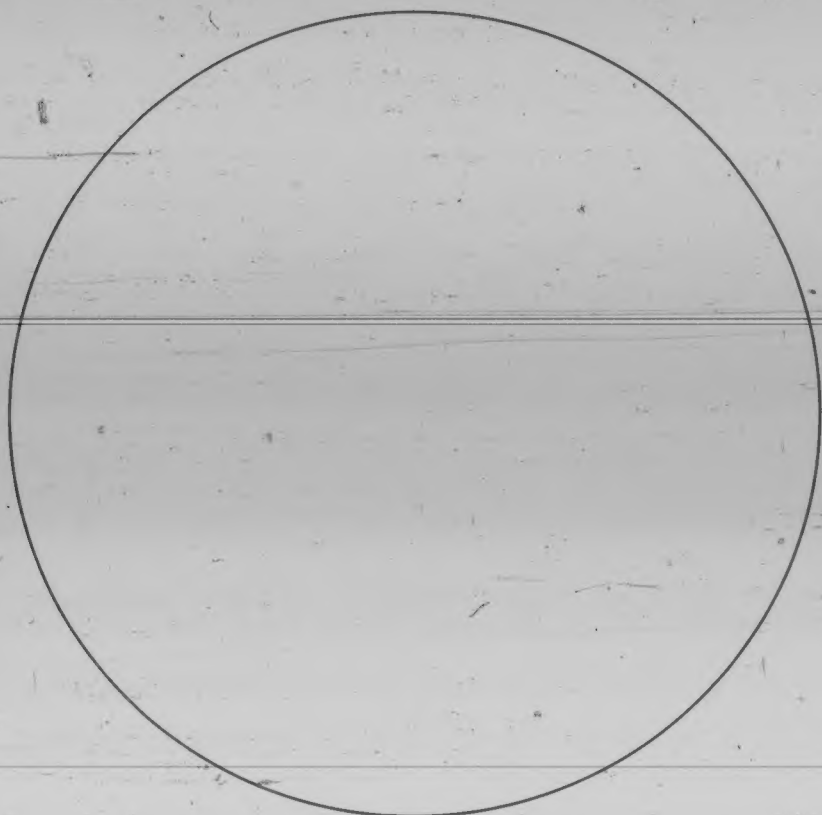
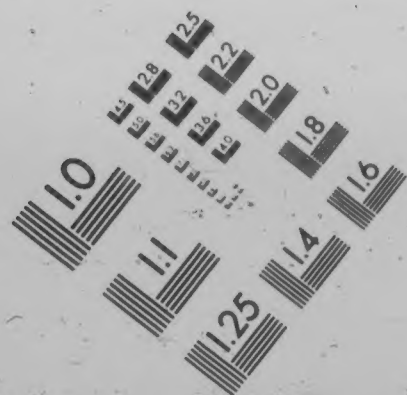




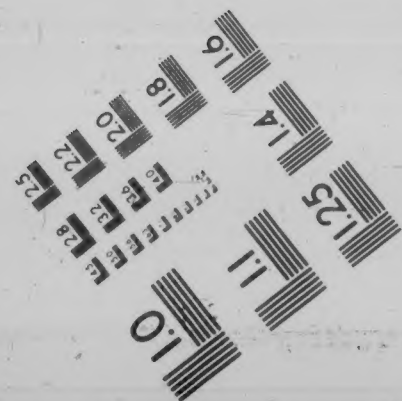
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APPLICATIONS FOR ENROLLMENT OF THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES
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WASHINGTON: 1983

Choc. Fr. 1107

Fannie Martin

Fr 1107

In the matter of the application to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, of Frances Martin, at Hartshorne, I. T., August 5th, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Frances Martin.

Q. How old are you? A. I don't know sir.

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did you belong to? A. Mrs. Chunn.

Q. Where have you been living since you were freed? A. Right here in the Territory.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir, but I ain't been married long.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was Mrs. Chunn a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.

(Requested to meet commission at some other point and present further proof of her rights)

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FREEDMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4", 1890.

Fanny Martin, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Fanny Martin.

Mr. Needles. "This woman belonged to Mrs. Chum, a Choctaw, her mother belonged to Mrs. M. A. McCarthy".

Q. What was your name before you were married?

A. Fanny Chum, then Fanny Carney.

Q. How old are you?

A. About forty (40) years old.

Q. Do you know Liza Carney?

A. I do not know.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you any children?

A. Not by ~~himself~~ him.

Q. By any body else?

A. Yes sir, by Carney.

Q. Any of them at home, any married?

A. A. Both of them are living with me.

Q. Where have you been living all the time?

A. Here and Tobacco County.

Q. Ever live in the States?

A. Fifteen years ago, not since that time.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
superintendent to these named Commission, that this
testimony is a true, full and correct translation of
my proceedings.

R. P. Crook

Choe. Fr. 1108

Martin Harris

Fr. 1108

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

Martin Harrison, being sworn testified as follows.

Q. What is your name?

A. Martin Harrison.

Q. What is your mother's name?

A. Emily Harrison.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Louis Austin.

Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a State woman?

A. No sir.

Q. What was her name before you married her?

A. McIntosh. A. Choctaw by blood.

Q. Who was her mother?

A. I do not know.

Q. How old is your girl?

A. Seven (7) years.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer in above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

J. A. Danner

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
CHOCTAW LAND OFFICE.
Atoka, Indian Territory, July 9, 1903.

Choc. Freed Roll 2786

Choc. Freed Roll 2306

Choc. Freed Roll 12575

Choc. Freed card 4543

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Choc. Freed card 4543

In the matter of the enrollment of Blanche Adeline Harris, Choctaw card field No. 4543, Choctaw Roll 12575.

Martin Harris being sworn testifies as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name ? A Martin Harris.
Q What is your post office address ? A Quinton, Indian Territory.
Q What is your age ? A About 39.
Q What is the name of your father ? A Nelson Harris.
Q What is the name of your mother ? A Emily Harris.
Q Are you married ? A Yes, sir.
Q What is your wife's name ? A Blanche Adeline Harris.
Q What is her citizenship ? A She is a Choctaw by blood.
Q What is her father's name ? A Joe McIntosh.
Q Her mother ? A Catherine McIntosh.
Q Have you and Blanche Adeline any children ? A Yes, sir, three.
Q What are their names ? A Samuel, Joseph and Willey.
Q Are these three children now living ? A Yes, sir.
Q When were you and Blanche Adeline Harris married ? A in 1888.

The witness is here identified as Martin Harris, Choctaw Freedman card field No. 1108, approved Choc. Freed. Roll No. 2306.

Witness excused.

Fred V. Kinkade being first duly sworn on oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in full the proceedings had in the matter above referred to at Atoka, Indian Territory, July 9, 1903; that the above and foregoing is a true, full and correct translation of his stenographic notes as taken therein on said date.

Fred V. Kinkade

Subscribed and sworn to before me this July 15, 1903.

Wm. Shelby
Notary Public

17-1108

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 23, 1903.

Martin Harris,

Quinton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are advised that it appears from our records that on July 9, 1903, you appeared before the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka, Indian Territory, and made a sworn statement relative to the enrollment of yourself, your wife and three minor children.

You are further advised that it appears from our records that on September 4, 1899, at South McAlester, Indian Territory, you made application for the enrollment of yourself and your minor daughter, Mollie Harris, as Choctaw freedmen. Your evidence of that date however, does not state the name of your wife nor is the name of the mother of Mollie Harris given therein.

Referring to your testimony of July 9, 1903, it is stated that you have three children now living; you are therefore, requested to state whether Mollie Harris is the daughter of Elanche Adeline Harris and whether she is now living or dead.

Please give this matter prompt attention, returning your reply in the enclosed envelope.

Respectfully,

Wm.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1108

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 22, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,
Choctaw Land Office,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedmen card No. 1108:

"No. 1 is the husband of Elancho Adeline Harris
on Choctaw card No. 4543. See testimony of July
9, 1903."

You are therefore, requested to make like notation upon
the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above
information.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17 - 1108

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,
Cheetaw Land Office,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Cheetaw Freedmen enrollment card, number 1108, you are advised that the father of number 2 thereon is number one; that the name of the mother of number 2 is Violet Harris, deceased, notations to that effect have this day been made upon the reverse side of card above referred to.

You are, therefore, requested to make like entry upon the Chickasaw Freedmen duplicate card of corresponding number, in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17 - 1106

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1903.

Martin Harris,

Kintah, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 5th instant, stating that Mollie Harris is not the daughter of your present wife, Blanche Adaline Harris, but is the daughter of a former wife, whose name was Violet Harris, deceased.

You are advised that the information contained in your letter has been made of record in the matter of the enrollment of your minor daughter, Mollie Harris, as a Choctaw Freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1109

Willis Kincade

Fr. 1109

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

WILLIS KINCADE, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Willis Kincade. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Forty four or five. |
| Q. Who did you belong to? | A. Bob Kincade. |
| Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? | A. Choctaw. |

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| Q. Where have you been living since you were freed? | |
| A. Been living mostly in this county., always in the Territory. | |
| Q. Are you married? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. What is your wifes name? | |
| A. Mandy Kincade. | |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. Dave Shoat. |
| Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? | |
| A. Choctaw. | |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chumley

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

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No.

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Certificate of Record of Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
THE INDIAN TERRITORY, } SCT:
District.

I, E J Tamm, Clerk
of the United States Court in the Indian Territory
and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that
the License for and Certificate of the Marriage of
Henry Lamborn and
Miss Alice A. Kenead was
filed in my office in said Territory and District the
18 day of June, A. D. 1901
and duly recorded in Book 9 of Marriage
Record, Page 425.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court,
at Do McAlester this 28
day of June, A. D. 1901

E J Tamm
Clerk.

By _____ Deputy.

No.

2060

Form No. 582.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central

DISTRICT.

SS:

To any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize the Rite and publish the Banns of Matrimony between Mr. Henry Lamborn of ~~some~~ *some* ~~place~~ *place* in the Indian Territory, aged 25 years, and Miss Alice A. Kucinski of ~~some~~ *some* ~~place~~ *place* in the Indian Territory, aged 20 years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this License to the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this

23

day of

June

A. D. 1901

J. M. Dodge

Deputy.

E. J. Fannin

Clerk of the United States Court.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

THE INDIAN TERRITORY.

DISTRICT.

SS:

1. John R. Dray,
a Minister of the Gospel.

do hereby CERTIFY, that on the 13 day of June, A. D. 1901, I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and publish the Banns of MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 14 day of June, A. D. 1901

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory, Central District, Book A, Page 84

R. A. Baird

John R. Dray,
a Minister of the Gospel.

NOTE.—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory, from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN: 20

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Stella Kincaid

as a citizen of

Choctaw Nation.

Approved

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[Signature]
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Stella Kincaid, born on the 17th day of May, 1902.
(Here insert name of child.)
Name of Father: Willis Kincaid, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Amanda Kincaid, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Post-office W. B. C.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

I, Amanda Kincaid, on oath state that I am 48
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption of the Choctaw Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Willis Kincaid, who is a citizen, by
Adoption of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was
born to me on 17th day of May, 1902, that said child has been
named Stella Kincaid, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two)
Witnesses

Ada Richards
M. W. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30June1902

W. B. C.
NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

I, Hannah Gray, a Midwife, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Amanda Kincaid, wife of Willis Kincaid,
on the 17th day of May, 1902, that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
named Stella Kincaid.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two)
Witnesses

Ada Richards
M. W. Brown

Hannah Gray
W. B. C.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30

day of

June1902

W. B. C.
NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Laura Kincade

as a citizen of the

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved NOV 8 1902 190

Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Laura Kincaid, born on the 25 day of June, 1898
 (Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father Willis Kincaid, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Name of Mother Amanda Kincaid, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-Office: Wichita, Ks.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Amanda Kincaid, on oath state that I am 45
 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of Willis Kincaid, who is a citizen, by
Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation, that a Female child was
 (Male or female.)
 born to me on the 25 day of June, 1898, that said child has been
 named Laura Josephine Kincaid, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Dorothy Druitt
Hellie Kincaid

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

6th day of November, 1902
T. J. Coleman
 Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Laura Johnson, a Midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Amanda Kincaid wife of Willis Kincaid
 on the 25 day of June, 1898; that there was born to her on said
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
 (Male or female.)
 named Laura Josephine Kincaid.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Dorothy Druitt
Hellie Kincaid

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

6th day of November, 1902
T. J. Coleman
 Notary Public.

Chas. Freed. 110

Wahkago, Indian Territory, June 25, 1902.

Willie Kincaid,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Stella Kincaid, the infant daughter of Willie and Amanda Kincaid, born May 17, 1902, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1109

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1902.

Willie Kincaid,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Laura Kincaid, daughter of Willie and Kandy Kincaid, has been filed with the Commission. There is inclosed herewith a blank application for enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of your daughter, Laura Kincaid, as a Choctaw freedman until proof of her birth has been supplied.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Inv.
W.C.

Acting Chairman.

17-1109

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 3, 1903.

Willie Kincaid,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Amanda Kincaid and Laura Johnson, relative to the birth of your minor child, Laura Josephine Kincaid, June 25, 1898, and the same, being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of the birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman

17-1100.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 12, 1903.

R.B. Coleman,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 29th ultimo, enclosing the marriage license and certificate of Henry Camborn and Alice A. Kincaid; and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment of Alice Kincaid as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1110

Dave Pearson

Fr. 1110

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

DAVE PEARSON, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Dave Pearson.

Q. How old are you?

A. Thirty-four years old.

Q. What is your mothers name?

Melisse Lewis.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. One of the Shoats.

Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?

A. In the Choctaw Nation.

Q. Never got over in Arkansas?

A. Never lived there, no sir.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wifes name?

A. Lizzie Pearson.

Q. Is she a State coman?

A. Yes sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. P. Crumley

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Brogie I. T. May 27, 1887

Sculerville Co.

Choclaw Nation.

This is to Certify that

David Pierson is Marriad to Lizzie Laster the
27 of May 1887

Witness my hand this 27 day of May A. D. 1887

In the present of Witness

Henry Shoats

Abbie Shoat

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IN RE

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Ora Pearson

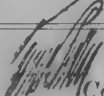
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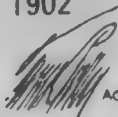


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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Ora Pierson, born on the 14 day of April, 1900
(Here insert name of child.)
Name of Father: Dave Pierson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Lizzie Pierson a citizen of the ~~Choctaw~~ U.S. Nation.
Post-office So. McAlester, Ind. Ter.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY.
Central District.

I, Lizzie Pierson, on oath state that I am 32
years of age and a citizen, by U.S., of the Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Dave Pierson, who is a citizen, by
Freedmen, of the Choctaw Nation; that a girl child was
(male or female.)
born to me on 14 day of April, 1900; that said child has been
named Ora Pierson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

x Lizzie Pierson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

25th day of June

1902

My commission expires 6/27/1906.

E. J. Fitzpatrick

NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY.
Central District.

I, Lucinda Jones, a midwife, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Lizzie Pierson, wife of Dave Pierson
on the 14 day of April, 1900; that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female.)
named Ora Pierson

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Lana Madams

Jas. C. Guesse

Lucinda Jones

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

25th day of June

1902

My commission expires 6/27/1906.

E. J. Fitzpatrick

NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Wagon Peterson

as a citizen of

Choctaw (Ind.) Nation.

Approved

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[Signature]
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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[Signature]
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Hazle Pierson, born on the 10 day of November, 1901.
(Here insert name of child.)
Name of Father: Dave Pierson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Lizzie Pierson a citizen of the U.S. Nation.
Post-office So. McAlester, Ind. Ter.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY
Central District.

I, Lizzie Pierson, on oath state that I am 32
years of age and a citizen, by U.S., of the not of any Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Dave Pierson, who is a citizen, by
Freedmen of the Choctaw Nation; that a girl child was
(male or female.)
born to me on 10 day of November 1901; that said child has been
named Hazle Pierson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses)

x Lizzie Pierson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June

1902

My commission expires 6/27/1906. *W. B. Gitzpatrick*
NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY
Central District.

I, Laura Meadows, a midwife, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Lizzie Pierson, wife of Dave Pierson
on the 10 day of November, 1901; that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female.)
named Hazle Pierson

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses)

Laura Meadows

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June

1902

My commission expires 6/27/1906. *W. B. Gitzpatrick*
NOTARY PUBLIC

17 - 1110

Mustang, Indian Territory, June 10, 1902.

Dave Pierson,

South Hallett, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chester Freedman of Ora Pierson, infant daughter of Dave and Nora Pierson, born April 14, 1900; also the application for enrollment as a Chester Freedman of Maile Pierson, infant daughter of Dave and Nora Pierson, born November 10, 1901, and the same are returned to you for further information relative to the mother of the children.

It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that she is 32 years of age, a Chester Freedman, and the lawful wife of Dave Pierson who is a Chester Freedman.

If this is correct you are requested to state her full maiden name, time and place application was made for her enrollment, the names of the other members of her family for whom application was made at the same time, and any other information you may have which will enable the Commission to identify Nora Pierson as being duly listed for enrollment as a Chester Freedman.

Re: Pierson--2.

If she is a Chester Freedman, who has been married to you since the time she was listed for enrollment as such, either the original or a certified copy of the certificate of marriage between yourself and Nora Pierson should be furnished the Commission as authority for the change of her name on our records from her maiden name to her present married name.

You are informed that the records of the Commission show that when you were listed for enrollment as a Chester Freedman it was stated that the name of your wife was Lizzie Pierson.

You are requested to state what has become of her.

Upon receipt of the information requested herein, together with legal evidence of the marriage and return of the application for enrollment of your child, the matter will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 8, 1902.

Dave Pierson,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 25, 1902, enclosing the applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Ora Pierson, born April 14, 1900, and Hazel Pierson, born November 19th 1901, the infant daughters of Dave and Lissie Pierson, and such applications being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of this office and these children listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Jane Howell

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FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT 5th, 1899.

JANE HOWELL, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Jane Howell.
- Q. How old are you? A. About sixty (60)
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Tom Pitchlynn.
- Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?
- A. In the Nation.
- Q. ~~Always~~ lived in the Nation? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Never lived out of the Nation? A. Yes, a little while.
- Q. How long since? A. ~~Approximately~~ A good while.
- Q. What do you call a good time? You never ~~with the register~~ did register, did you? A. I think I did once.
- Q. Do you know John Howell? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What kin is he to you? A. None.
- Q. Where were you when you were turned free?
- A. In Towson County.
- Q. Where did you go then? A. Stayed there.
- Q. Been here ever since? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Only two or three years you lived in Ft. Smith?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Several years ago? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Ever go by any other name than Howell?
- A. Only by my fathers name.
- Q. What was your fathers name?

A. Joshua Butler.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
Stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
the stenographic notes.

J. P. Cramer

Jane Howell
#2. BETSEY COLE.

WESLEY McKinney, further testifying.

A. The two years of the war.

Q. How old were you then?

A. I was a good sized boy.

Q. Where was she?

A. In Towson County.

Q. How long before freedom?

A. About two (2) years.

LEN COLBERT, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Len Colbert.

Q. How old are you?

A. Ninty-four (94)

Q. Do you know ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ Jane Howell?

A. Yes sir, been knowing her always.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Betsey Harris.

Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Has she been living here all the time?

A. She claims so, I know she been living in my county, then she moved up here about Antlers.

Q. Did you know her when she was turned free?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where was she?

A. At Betsey Harris'

Q. Did she stay there?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How old is Jane Howell

A. Sixty years old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R R Craven

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 5", 1899.

POLLY COLE, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Polly Cole.
Q. Do you know Jane Howell? A. Yes sir.
Q. How long have you known her? A. Five or six years.
Q. You do not know who she belonged to?
A. No sir, I am well acquainted with her sister, and have been knowing her (Jane Howell) through her sister (Nancy Bashears) ten or fifteen years.

WESLEY MCKINNEY, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? Wesley McKinney
Q. Do you know Jane Howell? A. Yes sir.
Q. Know who she belonged to?
A. Yes sir, Tom Pitchlynn.
Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
Q. Have you known her all your life? A. No sir.
Q. Ever see her at Tom Pitchlynn's? A. Yes sir.
Q. Been living here in the Territory nearly all her life?
A. Yes sir, except two years.
Q. How long has she been back from Ft. Smith?
A. About six or seven years.
Q. Where was she when she was turned free? A. Red River.
Q. Which side? A. This side.
Q. What time did you first know Jane Howell?

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. P. Chavis

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1904.

In the matter of the application of Jane Howell for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Applicant is represented by Attorney R. B. Coleman, of McAlester, Indian Territory.

Jane Howell, having been first duly sworn, upon her oath testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

- Q What is your name? A Jane Howell.
Q How old are you? A I guess I am 64 years old.
Q You claim to be a Choctaw freedman? A Yes sir I was born and raised there.
Q What was your mother's name? A Cynthia Butler.
Q What was your father's name? A Joshua Butler.
Q Were your father and mother and yourself slaves? A Yes sir.
Q What was the name of your owner? A The old man was named Tom Pitchlynn and the young man was named John Pitchlynn.
Q To whom did you belong? A I belonged to John Pitchlynn.
Q Was John Pitchlynn a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.
Q Did you belong to him at the beginning of the war of the Rebellion? A Yes sir.
Q Did you remain his slave from the beginning of the war until all the slaves were freed? A Yes sir.
Q Do you remember when the slaves were freed? A Yes sir.
Q Do you know what year the slaves were freed? A No sir.
Q Do you remember the treaty of Ft Smith? A Yes sir I remember it.
Q Where were you living then? A I was living in Townsend County.

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- Q Townsend County is in the Choctaw Nation is it? A Yes sir.
- Q How long after the treaty of Ft Smith did you continue to live in the Choctaw Nation? A I just don't know how long.
- Q About how long? A Four or five years I guess.
- Q Are you sure it was four or five years before you left the Choctaw country? Yes sir I think it was.
- Q Where did you go then? A I went to Ft. Smith.
- Q How long did you live over there? A About six years.
- Q At the end of that six years where did you go? A I went back to the Territory.
- Q Since your return to the Territory after having lived in Ft Smith six years have you made the Choctaw country your permanent home? A Yes sir.
- Q Since your return have you ever left the Territory to establish a residence or make a home? A No sir I never have.
- Q You have lived here in the Choctaw Nation continuously since your return? A Yes sir.

Examination by attorney for applicant.

- Q Aunt Jane since you came back from Ft Smith where in the Choctaw Nation have you lived most of the time? A Most of the time at McAlester.
- Q Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.
- Q You were still living with John Pitchlynn when the slaves were freed in '66 were you not? A Yes sir.
- Q In Townsend County, Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.

Mattie V. Vaughn being first duly sworn, upon her oath states: That as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she reported in full all the proceedings had in the above entitled cause on the 12th day of September, 1904, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of her stenographic notes of said proceedings on said date.

Mattie V. Vaughn

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of September, 1904.

J. Blum
Notary Public.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 3, 1903.

M. B. Coleman,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 28, in which you ask the status of the application of Jane Howell for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Jane Howell has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 17, 1904.

R. B. Coleman,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 28th, in which you ask the status of the enrollment of Jane Howell as a Choctaw freedman and Lena Alexander and her family as Chickasaw freedmen. You also wish to be informed if Hannie Moore, an intermarried Choctaw, has been finally approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that it appears from our records that Jane Howell has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman; but her name has not yet been placed upon the schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding the Secretary of the Interior. You are further advised that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application of Lena Alexander for the enrollment of herself and six minor children as Choctaw freedmen; as soon as a decision is reached in this case, she will be notified of the action taken therein. You are informed that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application of Nancy Moore, daughter of John Freeman, for enrollment as an intermarried citizen of the Chickasaw Nation. But as soon as a decision is reached in this case, she will be

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notified of the action taken therein. If this is not the person referred to in your letter as Emma Moore and you will state when, where and under what name application was made for her enrollment, her age, names of her parents and such other information as you may be able to secure, which will lead to her identification, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Sam Russell,

McAlester, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify relative to your rights as such freedman.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6th and 7th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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ENROLLMENT

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

Sina Miller, et. al.

Granted - Jan 3 1907.

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Simon Jones.*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

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Cheetaw Freedman 1112.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
Muskogee, I. T. October 6, 1905.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sina James and her two children Willis James and Walter James,
as Cheetaw Freedmen.

The applicants are not represented by attorney.

Simon James being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commissioner:

- Q What is your name? A Simon James.
Q How old are you? A Twenty-eight years old. (28)
Q What is your postoffice address? A Peacahentas, Ind. Ter.
Q You are a Chickasaw Freedman? A Yes sir.
Witness is identified on Chickasaw Freedman card No.
806, and as No. 3348 on the final roll, approved by the
Secretary of the Interior April 10, 1903.
Q Were you ever married to Sina Miller? A Yes sir.
Q Who was her father? A I didn't know him.
Q Who was her mother? A Lidy Shoat.
Q What was she, Lidy Shoat? A She was a Cheetaw freedman.
Q Is she living? A No, she is dead.
Q When did she die? A She died when Sina was a small girl.
Q How old is Sina now--how old would she be if she were living?
A About 27.
Q When did she die? A Last January was three years ago.
Q Three years ago last January; that would make it January,
1902? A Yes sir.
Q You are sure about that are you? A No, I couldn't say for
sure; I might be mistaken; I have it written down.
Q Were you married to Nina? A Yes sir.
Q By whom? A By a preacher by the name of Roebuck.
Q Married under a United States license? A No, a Cheetaw
license.
Q You don't mean to say that you had a tribal license? You
just had a certificate from the preacher? A Well, that is, and
we had it recorded.
Q Just a marriage certificate? A Yes sir.
Q When were you married? A Out west of Hartshorne about
two miles.
Q Do you know the date of your marriage? A No, I don't know
the date.
Q Did you and she live together as husband and wife? A Yes sir.
Q For how long? A About eight years.
Q Then what took place? A Why, we separated and she married
a man by the name of Helse Miller.
Q She got a divorce from you? A Yes sir.
Q In what court did she get that divorce? A Cheetaw court.
Q You are the father of Willis James and Walter James?
A I am.
Q Are these children both living? A Yes sir.

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- Q With whom are they living? A With me.
- Q Are you married again? A Yes sir.
- Q Who is your second wife? A Willie Yates.
- Q Is she a freedman? A Yes sir.
- Q Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Choctaw.
- Q When was Willis born? A He was born in 1898.
- Q Do you remember the month? A September 11.
- Q You havn't got any proof of birth for that child at all.
- A Well, the midwife is dead and this lady here (indicating) was at my place for the purpose of taking care of the woman.
- Q Were you there when the child was born? A Yes sir.
- Q Has Sina James got any brothers and sisters on the roll? A Yes sir.
- Q What are their names? A Minerva Franklin, George Lewis, Henry Choate.
- Q You give Minerva Franklin and Henry Choate as sister and brother of your wife Sina? Same father? A No sir.
- Q But the same mother? A Yes sir.
- Minerva Franklin, sister of the principal applicant, Sina James, is identified on Choctaw Freedman Card 789 and as No. 3370 on the final roll approved by the Department September 26, 1903.
- Henry Choate, brother of said Sina James is identified on Choctaw Freedman Card No. 705, and as No. 1542 upon the final roll approved by the Department April 8, 1903.
- Q Do you know whether Sina James was living on September 25, 1902? A No, I am not positive.
- Q After you separated from her she married again a man by the name of Nelse Miller? A Yes sir.
- There is on file with the records of the Commission a marriage license showing the marriage between Nelsen Miller and Mrs. Sina Brown.
- Q Who was Sina Brown? A That was her name before she was married.
- Q Do you know whether this Sina Brown mentioned in this marriage certificate was your wife? (Showing witness said marriage certificate).
- A I can't say that it is, but she married a man by the name of Nelse Miller after her and I separated.
- Q That name, Sina Brown, was her maiden name when you married her? A Yes sir.
- Q Do you know that she was married at South McAlester--this shows that she was married July 2, 1902? Do you think that is right? A Yes, as well as I can remember.
- Q Have you any idea how long she lived after she married Nelse Miller? A She lived quite awhile.
- Q As much as a year do you think? A Hardly that long; mighty near.
- Q These children Willis James and Walter James, evidently have rights through you and also through your wife, Sina James, afterwards Sina Miller. If they follow you they will have to be put down as Chickasaw Freedmen; if they follow her they will have to be put down as Choctaw Freedmen. Do you elect in which nation they shall take their allotment of land? A I guess they will take their allotment in the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Do you want the children to follow the mother? The question is, shall we put them down as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen?
- A Well, it don't make much difference I don't suppose.

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Q You had better make your choice now. A Well, put them on a Chickasaw card along with me.

Q How long did you know Sina Brown? A Since she was a small child.

Q Raised together? A Yes sir.

Q Same neighborhood? A Yes, went to school together.

Q Where had she always lived? A Hartshorne.

Q Did she ever live out side of the Territory? A No sir.

Q Always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.

Q And where have these children of yours always lived?

A In the Choctaw Nation.

Q Never lived outside? A No sir.

Q When you separated from your wife where did your children go? A They staid with her until her death.

Q And then you got them? A Yes sir.

Q And have them with you now? A Yes sir.

Q Both living? A Yes sir.

Witness excused.

Paralee Lewis being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Q What is your name? A Paralee Lewis.

Q How old are you? A I don't know; about 25.

Q What is your postoffice address? A Dow, I. T.

Q Are you a Choctaw Freedman? A Yes sir.

Q Do you know Simon James? A Yes sir.

Q Did you know his wife? A Yes sir.

Q What was her name? A Sina James; that was his first wifw.

Q Did Sina James have any children, do you know? A Yes, she had two children.

Q What were their names? A One named Walter and the other was named Willis.

Q Which is the older of the two? A One is 7 years and the other is 5.

Q Which one is seven? A The oldest one.

Q Which is the oldest one? A Willis.

Q Do you know anything at all about the birth of that child?

A Yes, I was there and cooked for them while she was in bed.

Q You know that this Willis was born to her? A Yes sir.

Q You were there at the time at the house? A Yes sir; he was born November 12.

Q Seven years ago? A Yes sir.

Q Is he still living? A Yes sir.

Q Both of them, Willis and Walter? A Yes sir.

Q Do you know that of your own knowledge? A Yes sir.

Q Where have these children always lived? A Lived two miles from where I live now.

Q With whom have they been living? Living with their parents?

A Yes sir.

Q Simon and Sina separated didn't they? A Yes sir.

A Yes sir.

Q Where did the children go to then? A They staid with her.

Q Is Sina living? A No, she is dead.

Q When did she die? A I don't know, sir.

Q What is your best recollection about it? A I don't know sir; I can't tell you; she is dead though, I know.

Q Were you at her funeral? A No sir.

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- Q But you know that she is dead? A Yes sir.
Q Where are these children living now, do you know?
A They lives with their father.
Q He is married again isn't he? A Yes sir.
Q What is his present wife's name? A Her name is Willie
Yates; she used to be Yates, but she's Jones now.

Witness excused.

Simon James being recalled testified as follows:

- Q Was Sina James or Brown, your first wife? A Yes sir.
Q Was she ever married before she was married to you? A No sir.
Q What has become of Selse Miller? A The last account I
had of him he was at McAlester.
Q Is he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.
Q States man? A Yes sir.

In the matter of the enrollment of your former wife,
Sina James, later called Sina Miller, it will be neces-
sary for you to furnish the Commission with proof of
the death of said Sina James.

Frances R. Lane upon oath states that as stenographer to
the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly
reported the testimony in the above entitled cause and that
the foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic
notes thereof.

Frances R. Lane

Subscribed and sworn to before me this October 7, 1905.

J. M. Campbell
Notary Public.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Willis James and Walter James as Chickasaw Freedmen.

D E C I S I O N .

It appears from the census card records in this case that on September 4, 1899, at South McAlester, Indian Territory, Sina James appeared before the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes and made application for the enrollment of herself and her minor child, Willis James, as Choctaw Freedmen, and on October 16, 1901, written application was made for the enrollment of her son, Walter James, as a Choctaw Freedman, and proper proof of birth of said child filed on that date. Further proceedings were had in the matter of this application at Muskogee, Indian Territory October 6, 1905. It being alleged that said Sina James died sometime prior to September 25, 1902, her rights will not be passed upon in this decision.

The evidence in this case shows that Walter James and Willis James are the children of Sina James, an alleged Choctaw Freedman, and Simon James, a Chickasaw Freedman, whose name appears as No. 3348 on the lists prepared by the said Commission under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641) of persons entitled to enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior April 10, 1903; that said Willis James was born on September 11, 1898, and that said Walter James was born on May 28, 1900, and have resided continuously in the Choctaw Nation from the date of their birth up to and including September 25, 1902.

The evidence further shows that since the death of said Sina James the applicants herein have been in the care and custody of their father, Simon James, and that on October 6, 1905, said Simon James elected that the said Willis and Walter James should be enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen, and on the said date the names of said Willis James and Walter James were transferred to Chickasaw Freedman Card 806, along with their said father, Simon James.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that Willis James and Walter James are entitled to be enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen under the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 495) and July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), and it is so ordered.

SIGNED

James Dixby
Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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Department of the Interior,
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.
Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 2, 1906.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

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SIMON JAMES, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commissioner:

- Q What is your name? A Simon James.
Q How old are you? A Twenty-eight years old.
Q What is your post office? A Hartshorne.
Q Are you related to Sina Miller or Sina James? A Yes sir, that was my wife.
Q When were you married to her? A I was married to her---I don't just remember---it has been about eight years ago---married when I was twenty years old.
Q How long did you live with her? A I lived with her---I declare I don't remember just what year it was she and I separated, but she lived about two years after me and her separated before she died.
Q Now, do you know definitely when she died? A Yes sir.
Q What date was it? A It was January 11.
Q What year? A 1903.
Q Did she remarry after you separated? A Yes sir.
Q Who did she marry? A Married a man by the name of Nels Miller.
Q Was she his wife when she died? A Yes sir.
Q At what place were you married to Sina James or Miller?
A Out west of Hartshorne; we lived about two miles west of Hartshorne.
Q In the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.
Q And where did you live during your married life? A Well, I lived there quite a while, and then I lived north of there about seven miles close to where Simpson Post office is now.
Q In the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.
Q You lived there did you till you separated? A Well, then we moved back to where we lived when we was married before we separated.
Q Well, during your married life did you ever live in Texas?
A No sir.
Q Oklahoma? A No sir.
Q Arkansas? A No sir.
Q Kansas? A No sir.
Q Always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.
Q Did you attend your wife's funeral? A Yes sir.
Q Where was it held? A At South McAlester.

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- Q Who preached the funeral sermon? A Well, I don't remember the man's name now.
- Q Colored preacher? A Colored man, yes sir.
- Q Is he living down there now? A I don't know where he is. I never saw him before that day; I saw him at McAlester two times since then.
- Q Who did you buy the coffin from? A I wouldn't be sure, but I think Chaney & Beckel.
- Q At South McAlester? A Yes sir.
- Q Are they in business now? A I don't know, sir.
- Q Who was the father of Sina James or Miller? A Well, sir, I don't know.
- Q Who was the mother? A Liddy Choate.
- Q Has your former wife any brothers or sisters living? A Yes sir.
- Q What are their names? A Henry Choate and George Lewis, Minerva Franklin and Maria Lewis.
- Q All been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, have they? A Yes sir.
- Q Selected their allotments? A Yes sir.
- Q Now, who is the father of Minerva Franklin? A I don't know, sir.
- Q Who is the mother of Minerva Franklin? A Liddy Choate.
- Q So your former wife and Minerva Franklin are half sisters, having the same mother? A Yes sir.

Minerva Franklin, thirty years of age, is identified as No. 3370 upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior September 26, 1903, said applicant having been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman by reason of being the descendant of Liddy Choate, a Choctaw freedman, who was the slave of Nicholas Hampton, a Choctaw Indian.

- Q How old was your wife at the time of her death? A Well, sir, I don't remember; she was younger, though, than I was.
- Q How old was she when you married her? A She was about sixteen years old as well as I remember.

(Witness excused.)

MARIA LEWIS, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commissioner:

- Q What is your name? A Maria Lewis.
- Q How old are you? A I am forty-two years old.
- Q What is your post office? A Hartshorne.
- Q Are you related to Sina James or Sina Miller? A Yes sir.
- Q What is that relationship? A She is a half-sister of mine, same mother and different fathers.
- Q You had the same mother? A Yes sir, same mother.
- Q What was your mother's name? A Liddy Hampton.
- Q You mean Liddy Choate? A Yes sir, but she was a Hampton; that was her first owner.
- Q She belonged to whom? A Belonged to Nicholas Hampton. The Choate's sold her to Hampton.

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- Q What were the Hampton? A Onctags.
Q Were you a slave? A No sir.
Q When were you born? A I was born I guess in the war time.
Q You were born before the slaves were freed? A Yes sir.
Q Well, then, you were born a slave? A Yes sir.
Q Do you know when your sister, Sina James, died? A Yes sir.
Q When? A She died in January, 1903.
Q Were you present? A No sir, I wasn't there. They sent a telegram but I couldn't get there to the burying. She died at South McAlester, and I was at Brazil, Skullyville County.

(Witness excused.)

Lenora B. Ashton, as stenographer to the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, on oath states that she reported the testimony in the above entitled cause on the 2nd day of November, 1906, and that the above and foregoing transcript is a true and complete translation of her stenographic notes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3rd day of November, 1906.

Lenora B. Ashton
Walter W. Chappell
Notary Public.

No. 3858

Certificate of Record of Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
THE INDIAN TERRITORY, } SCT:
Winn DISTRICT.

I, _____, Clerk
of the United States Court in the Indian Territory
and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that
the License for and Certificate of the Marriage of
Mr. *Nelson Miller* and
Mrs. *Minie Brown* was
filed in my office in said Territory and District the
20 day of *July*, A. D. 1902
and duly recorded in Book 10 of Marriage
Record, Page 187.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court,
at _____ this 13
day of *July*, A. D. 1902

C. J. Brown,
Clerk.
By *W. C. Smiley*, Deputy.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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[Signature] ACTING CHAIRMAN.

No.

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Form No. 598.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

THE INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central DISTRICT.

SS:

To any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize the Rite and publish the
 Banns of Matrimony between M^{rs} Nelson Mitler
of As McAlester in the Indian Territory, aged 28
years, and M^{rs} Sinie Brown
of As McAlester in the Indian Territory, aged 24
years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this License
 to the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 22 day of July, A. D. 1902.

Deputy.

Clerk of the United States Court.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

THE INDIAN TERRITORY,

DISTRICT.

SS:

1. C. H. Perkinsa minister of Gospel

do hereby CERTIFY, that on the 22 day of July, A. D. 1902, I did
 duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and
 publish the Banns of MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 23 day of July, A. D. 1902

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the
 Indian Territory, Central District, Book A, Page 17

C. H. Perkinsa minister of Gospel

Note.—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory,
 from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of
 One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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IN RE
THE DEATH OF

Since Miller, formerly James
a citizen of the

Choctaw Freedman Nation.

Approved

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.....
Commissioner.

Died: January 11 1903.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Sina Miller
(Here insert name of deceased.)
a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near
So. McAlester Ind. Ter., and died on the 15th day of
January 1903
(Here insert name of postoffice.)

AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central Dist. DISTRICT.

I, Lizzie Pearson, on oath state that I am 35
years of age and a citizen by marriage of the Choctaw Nation;
that my postoffice address is So. McAlester Ind. Ter.; that I am
First Cousin by Marriage of Sina Miller
(State relationship: as the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)
who was a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation
and that said Sina Miller died on the 11th day of
January 1902
(Here insert name of deceased.)
WITNESSES TO MARK: Lizzie Pearson

(Must Be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

14th

day of

October

1905

Commission Expires May 11 1909

W. H. Keimer
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central Dist. DISTRICT.

I, Saura Meadows, on oath state that I am 30
years of age, and a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation;
that my postoffice address is So. McAlester Ind. Ter.;
(Here insert name of postoffice.)
that I was personally acquainted with Sina Miller
(Here insert name of deceased.)
who was a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;
and that said Sina Miller died on the 11th day of
January 1902
(Here insert name of deceased.)
WITNESSES TO MARK: Saura Meadows

(Must Be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

14th

day of

Oct

1905

Commission Expires May 11 1909

W. H. Keimer
Notary Public.

17-1112.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

-:O:-

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

-: D E C I S I O N :-

It appears from the record herein and the census card record in this case that on September 4, 1898, at South McAlester, Indian Territory, Sina James, now Miller, appeared before the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes and made application for the enrollment of herself and her minor child, Willis James, as Choctaw freedmen and on October 16, 1901, written application was made for the enrollment of her son, Walter James, as a Choctaw freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter of this application at Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 6, 1905, and November 2, 1906.

Willis James and Walter James above mentioned have been finally enrolled as Chickasaw freedmen, their names appearing opposite Nos. 4716 and 4717, respectively, on the final roll of Chickasaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior May 28, 1906, claiming their rights through their father, Simon James, whose name appears opposite No. 3348 on the final roll of Chickasaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior April 10, 1903.

The evidence in this case shows that Sina Miller was born since the war and is the sister of Minerva Franklin, whose name appears opposite No. 3370 on the final roll of Choctaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior September 26, 1903, said Minerva Franklin having been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman by reason of being the daughter of Liddy Choate, a Choctaw freedman, who was also the mother of Sina Miller, the applicant herein; that Sina Miller was a resident in good faith in Indian Territory June 23, 1898 and was living September 25, 1902.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that Sina Miller should be enrolled as a Choctaw freedman under the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 23, 1898 (30 Stats., 495) and July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641) and it is so ordered.


Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 3, 1907.

Simon James,

Kartshorn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, on January 3, 1907, rendered his decision granting the application for the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of the decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Sina Miller will be placed upon the roll of Choctaw freedman to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Jamc Dwyer*

Commissioner.

Registered.

17-1112

COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 3, 1907.

Nelson Miller,

Hartshorn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered January 3, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Chectaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Chectaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of this decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Sina Miller will be placed upon the final roll of Chectaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

John L. Cox

Registered.

Commissioner.

Incl. 17-1112.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 3, 1907.

**Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,
South McAlester, Indian Territory.**

Gentlemen.

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered January 3, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Sina Miller will be placed upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

**Registered.
Incl. 17-1112.**

Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 18, 1901.

Simon James,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Walter James, the infant son of Simon and Sinto James, born May 18, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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19- 808

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 12, 1903.

Nelson Miller,

Hartshorne, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 25, 1903, stating that the name of your wife was formerly Sinie Brown, and afterwards Sinie James.

You now desire to have her name appear upon our records as Sinie Miller, and as authority for the same you enclose the marriage license and certificate of Nelson Miller and Sinie Brown.

You are advised that the same have been duly filed with our records in the matter of the application for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Sina James and her minor children, Willie and Walter James.

It appears from our records that on October 14, 1901, Sinie James made application to this Commission for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Walter James, at which time it was stated in her affidavit that she was the lawful wife of Simon James.

If Simon James is dead, please state the date of his death. If he is living and he and Sina James have been divorced,

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evidence of such divorces should be furnished the Commission.

Kindly give these matters prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1012

Waskagoo, Indian Territory, September 11, 1903.

Wina Miller,

Hartshorne, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission has information to the effect that you were formerly the wife of Simon James, a Chickasaw Freedman. If so, you should without delay forward to the Commission evidence of your divorce from Simon James, in the form of a certified copy of the decree of divorce, as the same is necessary in the matter of your enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

This matter should have your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1112

Mustang, Indian Territory, July 12, 1904

Simon James,

Haleyville, Indian Territory

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 30, 1904, requesting information relative to the enrollment of your minor children, Willie and Walter James.

You are advised it appears from our records that Simon James and his minor children, Willie and Walter James are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but before further consideration can be given the application for their enrollment, it will be necessary that the Commission be supplied with evidence of the birth of Walter James and a blank application for an enrollment of an infant child is enclosed you herewith for that purpose.

It will also be necessary that you furnish the Commission with a sworn statement identifying Missie Cheate, who is stated to be the mother of your former wife, Sina James, the mother of Willie and Walter James.

This matter should receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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19-806

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 6, 1904.

Simon James,

Haileyville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd inst., stating that the mother of your former wife is Lidy Choate, and not Lizzie Choate, and that she is also the mother of Henry Choate, George Lewis, and Minerva Franklin

You are advised that in the matter of the application for enrollment of your minor children, Willis and Walter James, as Choctaw freedmen, it will be necessary that you comply with our letter of July 18, 1904, by furnishing a sworn statement as to the identity of the mother of your former wife, Sina James.

The letter of the Commission dated October 15, 1901, acknowledging receipt of an application for the enrollment of Walter James as a Choctaw freedman, is returned herewith, and you are also advised that said application is on file with the records of this office, and is sufficient proof of the birth of said child.

Your sworn statement as to the identity of the mother of Sina James should be forwarded with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

COMMISSIONERS:
TAMM BIXBY,
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,
C. R. BRACKENRIDGE.

WM. O. BRALL,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER TO REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

17-1112

ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Sina Miller,

Hartshorne, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself and your children, Willis James and Walter James, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify relative to your rights as such freedmen.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6th and 7th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904.

Respectfully,



Commissioner in Charge.

17-1112

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 19, 1904.

Simon James,

Maleyville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavit of Edmund Lewis stating that Ace and Walter James are Choctaw freedmen, and giving the name of the mother of said children, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment of Walter James as a Choctaw freedman.

You are advised that before the application for enrollment of your minor son Willie James can be given further consideration, it will be necessary that proof of his birth be furnished the Commission and a blank application for the enrollment of an infant child for that purpose, is enclosed you herewith. This matter should receive immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1112.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 24, 1905.

Simon James,

Naleysville, Indian Territory.

Dear sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Willis James and Walter James as Choctaw Freedmen, you are advised it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, and bring with you such other witnesses as you have who can testify relative to the right of the said Willis and Walter James to be enrolled as Choctaw Freedmen.

Such appearance should be made at the earliest practicable date, in order that disposition may be made of said application.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1112

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 8, 1905.

Simon James,

Pocahontas, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 2nd, in which you state it would be more convenient for you to testify at South McAlester, Indian Territory, instead of Muskogee, in reference to the enrollment of your two children.

You are advised that the Commissioner has no office at South McAlester, Indian Territory, and it will therefore be necessary for you to personally appear at the office at Muskogee for the purpose of submitting the required testimony.

This matter should receive your early consideration as it is desired to make disposition of all pending applications at the earliest possible date.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

17-1112

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 24, 1905

Simon James,

Peeahontas, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 16, 1905, inclosing affidavit of Lizzie Pearson and Laura Meadows to the death of ^{Anna} (Simon) Miller a Choctaw freedman, which occurred January 11, 1903, and the same have been filed as evidence of the death of the above named person.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

REPLY IN DEPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 9, 1905.

Simon James,

Pocahontas, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

On October 24, 1905 you filed with this office proof of death of your former wife, Sina Miller, showing that her death took place on January 11, 1903.

It appears from the record of this office also that you have the care and custody of your children begotten by her. These children are interested in the outcome of the application made for the enrollment of their mother as a Choctaw Freedman.

The evidence in the matter of her application is insufficient to determine her rights to enrollment, and you are, therefore, advised that you should furnish evidence establishing her rights, if any, as such freedman. For this purpose you should appear before me at my office at Muskogee, Indian Territory, together with such witnesses as you may be able to procure, to testify to the rights of your former wife.

This matter should receive your early attention.

Respectfully,

W. O. Beall
Acting Commissioner.

17-1112

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 27, 1907.

Simon James,

Pocahontas, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that on February 27, 1907, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Chectaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Geo. H. Rogers
Acting Commissioner.

17-1112

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 14, 1907.

Simon James,

Hartshorne, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 6, 1907, in which you state that you received the letter from this office notifying you of the decision of the Commissioner granting the application for the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman and you now request to be advised if she has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that on February 27, 1907, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of Sina Miller as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

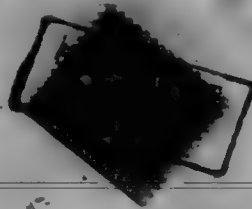
Acting Commissioner.

Department of the Interior.

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,
MUSKOGEE, IND. TERR.

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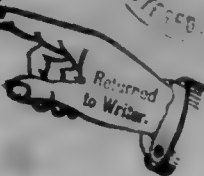
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Nelson Miller,

1901

Hartshorn, Indian Territory.

Choc. Fr. 1113

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Fr. 1113

United States Court for
the Indian Territory

C. J. ...

Comes now Patsy Freeman and after being duly sworn as the law directs avers and states. My name is Patsy Freeman, at McAlester K.T. I am about fifty years of age, I am a Choctaw Freeman, I and my children were enrolled at Brazile in 1898, that my children were at that time as follow Walter Freeman, age about 18 years, Millie Freeman a female about 15 years old, Jonas Freeman, aged about 14 years, old. 708 Freeman aged about 12 years old, Harriet Freeman aged about 11 years old. Lizzie Freeman about 9 years old that they are all still living. that Harriet has since married Jasper ~~Harriet~~

That we all enrolled at South McAlester before the Dawes Commission, That the name Harris Freeman should have been Harriet Freeman, and a female, that the other one should have been Lizzie Freeman a female child and not Harris, I never did have a boy or girl named Harris Freeman.

That My Husband is named Charles Freeman, and is not a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, but a state raised Freeman. He put down the childrens names before the Choctaw Commission and got them wrong.

Signed

Patsy Freeman

Witness.

Warren J. Kemp
Jefferson G. ...

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 1st day of December 1902.

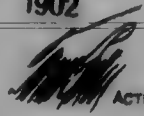
J. B. Coleman

Notary public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES:

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT.. 4", 1899.

Patey Freeman, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Patey Freeman.

Q. How old are you?

A. About fifty (50)

Q. Who did you belong to?

A. Bill Pursley.

Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Where have you lived since you were freed?

A. Right here in this Territory.

Q. Never lived out of it?

A. No sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Graves

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

CHARLEY FREEMAN, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Charley Freeman.

Q. How old are you?

A. About seventy years old.

Q. Who did you belong to?

A. I belonged to Freeman, ~~Freeman, Freeman~~

~~Freeman, Freeman~~

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Charney

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Certificate of Record of Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,
Cultural District. } SCT:

I, E. J. Tamm, Clerk
of the United States Court in the Indian Territory
and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that
the License for and Certificate of the Marriage of
Mr. Jasper Wagoner and
Mrs. Hattie Newman was
filed in my office in said Territory and District the
23 day of July A. D. 1901
and duly recorded in Book 7 of Marriage
Record, Page 469.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court,
at So McAlester this 30
day of July A. D. 1901

E. J. Tamm
Clerk.

By

Deputy.

No. 2046

Form No. 500.

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

THE INDIAN TERRITORY,

SS:

Cuba

DISTRICT.

To any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize the Rite and publish the
 Banns of Matrimony between Mr. Jasper Warren
of McAlester in the Indian Territory, aged 28
 years, and Miss Hattie Freeman
of McAlester in the Indian Territory, aged 18
 years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this License
 to the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this

20 day of July, A. D. 1901J. M. Dodge

Deputy.

J. J. Gann

Clerk of the United States Court.

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

THE INDIAN TERRITORY,

SS:

Cause

DISTRICT.

I, A. W. Cooper
Minister

do hereby CERTIFY, that on the 22 day of July, A. D. 1901, I did
 duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and
 publish the BANNS OF MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 23 day of July, A. D. 1901

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the
 Indian Territory, Central District, Book 89, Page 90

A. W. Cooper
Minister

NOTE.—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory,
 from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of
 One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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17-1113

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1908.

Patsy Freeman,

Kallester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The names of two of your children, listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen on field card No. 1113, appear as Harriet Freeman, a female, age thirteen, and Lizzie Freeman, a female, age twelve; and the names of these two children appear upon the 1896 census roll of Choctaw freedmen as Harris Freeman, a male, No. 1265, and Harris Freeman, a female, No. 1266. You are requested to inform the Commission of the correct names of these two children, give their ages, and state whether they are both girls, and if not state the sex of each. You are also requested to explain why the names of these children are not the same on the 1896 census roll as those given to the Commission when application was made for their enrollment.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of these two children until this information is received.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Rev.

Acting Chairman.

17-1113

Waskagoo, Indian Territory, December 3, 1908.

R. H. Goldman,

Attorney at Law,

Waskagoo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 1st inst., enclosing the affidavit of Patsy Freeman relative to the names and ages of her two minor children, Harriet and Lillian Freeman; and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of their application for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

87-1115.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 12, 1902.

H.B. Coleman,

Medianter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th inst., enclosing marriage license and certificate between Jasper Warren and Hattie Freeman, July 22, 1901; which you offer as authority for the change of the name of Harriet Freeman on our records from her maiden name to her present married name.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

Choc Fr. 1114

Sam Lee

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Record in the matter of the application for enrollment
as a Choctaw Freedman of-

Sam Lee

17-1114.

FRANKMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4", 1899.

SAM LEE, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Sam Lee.

Q. What was your mother's name?

A. Matilda Riddle.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. George Riddle.

Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?

A. Right here in the Choctaw Nation.

Q. Are you married?

A. No sir.

Q. How old are you?

A. Forty Seven (47) years old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R R Craven

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY.
JULY 11, 1894.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment
of Sam Lee as a Choctaw freedman.

Sam Lee, being first duly sworn on his oath,
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q Your name is Sam Lee? A Yes sir.
- Q What is your post office address? A Lehigh.
- Q How long have you been living at Lehigh? A Been living there about four years.
- Q Where were you born? A At Wilburton.
- Q How old are you? A I do not know, sir.
- Q About fifty years old? A Yes sir.
- Q You were born in the Choctaw Nation? A Born in the Choctaw Nation and no where else.
- Q What is your father's name? A They tell me his name was Sam Lee; I never did see him.
- Q Was he a freedman? A I do not know, sir.
- Q What was your mother's name? A Matilda Riddle.
- Q You remember the War? A No, yes sir.
- Q Was your mother a slave? A Yes sir.
- Q Whose slave was she? A George Riddle's.
- Q Was George Riddle a Choctaw? A Yes sir. They always tell me he was a Choctaw.
- Q Was he a white man? A I do not think he was.
- Q How old were you when the War broke out? About four or five? A Yes sir. I disremember of them having war enough at the time of war.
- Q Were you on George Riddle's ranch at the time of the War?
- A At the time of the War I was living in George Riddle's yard.
- Q Where were you at the end of the War? A I was in the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Did you go out of the Nation during the War? A No sir.
- Q Did your mother go out of the Nation during the War?
- A She was either sold out or hired in my recollection.
- Q And you stayed right in the Choctaw Nation all that time?
- A In Choctaw Nation.
- Q Do you know where she went to? A No sir.

Sam Lee.--2.

Q With whom were you stopping when the slaves were freed?
A Stopping in George Riddle's yard.
Q When niggers were freed? A Yes sir.
Q Your mother had been sold or hired out? A Yes sir.
Q When did you see her after the War? How soon after?
A Might have been eight or nine years after the slaves were freed, I heard from her.
Q Where was she then? A In Pickens County.
Q When was the first time you saw her? A First time I saw her was eight or nine years after.
Q Is she living to-day? A No sir. Dead.
Q When did she die? A Fifteen or sixteen years ago.
Q Where have you lived since the slaves were freed?
A I lived at Washita, Pickens County, Chickasaw Nation.
Q Where have you lived besides in Pickens County? When did you come back from Texas? A I do not know a thing about the State of Texas.
Q Not ever since you were born, you mean to say you always lived in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations? A I was raised there; after we were freed and turned loose I went up there where my folks were.
Q You have always lived in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations?
A Yes sir; them two nations.
Q You never lived in Arkansas nor in Texas? A No sir.
Q You a married man? A Have been.
Q Is your wife alive? A Yes sir, she alive.
Q Is she a freedman? A Yes sir.
Q What is her name? A Charity Rome, she used to be that.
Q What is she now? A She is Charity Lee.
Q To whom did she belong? A She come from the States.
Q Have you got any children? A No sir.
Q Never had any? A No sir.
Q Did you belong to George Riddle? A Yes sir, belonged to George Riddle.
Q Any of his family living now? A None as I know of.
Q You do not know of any now living? A No sir, not now living.
Q Did George Riddle look like an Indian? A He ought to be; he could not talk English.
Q Belonged to him? A Yes sir.
Q You were born on this place and was a slave up until the slaves were freed? A Yes sir.
Q Anybody here that knows you? A Yes sir. Lots of them.
Q Any Indians know you? A Yes sir.
Q Who are they? A In Choctaw Nation, round in there.
Q Do you think you can get one of them up here? A I think I can.

Daisy D. Daubin, states upon oath that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, she correctly recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes thereof.

Sworn to before me this 22nd day of July, 1904.

Charles H. Daubin
Notary Public.

17-1114..

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
Muskogee, Indian Territory June 12, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sam Lee as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Henry Chalk being first duly sworn testifies as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Henry Chalk.
- Q What is your age? A About sixty.
- Q What is your post office address? A Muskogee, Indian Territory.
- Q Did you live in the Choctaw Nation during the war? A Yes, sir.
- Q Born and raised a slave in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you know Sam Lee? A Yes, sir?
- Q How long have you known him? A All during the war.
- Q Was he a slave? A Yes, sir, belonged to George Riddle.
- Q Was George Riddle a Choctaw? A Yes, sir, and he is yet.
- Q Is he living today? A Yes, sir, he lives south-east of McAlester.
- Q What do you know about Sam Lee's mother? A I don't know much about his mother. she was over on Washita.
- Q But Sam Lee was a slave belonging to George Riddle? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you remember this Sam Lee? A Yes, sir, they called him Sam Riddle then but his new name is Lee.
- Q Do you know where he was living when the war ended? A He was there with his master.
- Q Do you remember seeing him there? A Yes, sir.
- Q What do you know about him since then? A I have seen him about there, he was down where I was a while then he went down to Cadde.
- Q Do you know of your own knowledge, now Henry, as to whether Sam Lee has been living outside of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country since the war? A Not that I know of.
- Q You have seen him off and on? A Yes, sir.
- Q You are sure he is a Choctaw freedman are you? A Yes, sir, and George Riddle would say so too.
- Q What is the name of the place where George Riddle lives? A He lives on Pushmalene Creek on the main road that runs from Fort Smith to Fort Washita.
- Q Is Sam Lee any relation to you? A Not a bit.
- Q Is that the man you knew as the slave of Riddle (indicating applicant)? A Yes, sir.
- Q What is his name? A Sam Riddle, he calls himself Sam Lee now.

Witness excused.

17-1114--2.

Sam Lee being first duly sworn in his own behalf testifies as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Sam Lee.
Q What is your post office address? A Lehigh

Witness excused.

Chas. T. Difendaffer being first duly sworn states that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in said cause on said date.

Chas. T. Difendaffer

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of July 1906.

Charles H. Sawyer

Notary Public.

17-1114.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Sam Lee as a Choctaw Freedman.

--- D E C I S I O N : ---

It appears from the record herein that on September 4, 1899, application was made to this Commission for the enrollment of Sam Lee as a Choctaw Freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter of said application at Muskogee, Indian Territory July 11 and 12, 1904.

It further appears from the record herein that the said Sam Lee was a slave of one George Riddle, a recognized Choctaw citizen during and at the close of the War of the Rebellion; that the said Sam Lee was born in the Choctaw Nation, and has resided therein continuously since the date of his birth up to and including September 25, 1902.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that Sam Lee should be enrolled as a Choctaw Freedman in accordance with the provisions of the Acts of Congress, approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stat., 495), and July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.


Chairman.


Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,
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Commissioner.

17-1114.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1905.

Sam Lee,

Lehigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered April 22, 1905, granting the application for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision, and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling you as a Choctaw freedman. If, at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, your name will be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Registered.

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1905.

H. B. Coleman,

Attorney at Law,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, on April 22, 1905, rendered its decision granting the application for the enrollment of Sam Lee as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicant as a Choctaw freedman. If at the expiration of said time no protest has been filed, his name will be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedman to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

Jame Bixby

Chairman.

Registered.

17-1114.

COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1905.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

Mouth McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission, rendered April 22, 1905, granting the application for the enrollment of Sam Lee as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicant as a Choctaw freedman. If at the expiration of said time no protest has been filed, his name will be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

Jams Bixby

Chairman.

Registered.

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(See 17-1329 for registry receipt for this letter).

17-1134.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1903.

San Lee,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of your enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to supply the Commission with a sworn statement, setting forth the name of your master at the time of your emancipation.

This matter should have your immediate attention as the affidavit requested is necessary in the matter of your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1114

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1905.

R. B. Coleman,

Attorney at Law,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 30, 1905, asking if Sam Riddle, son of Matilda Riddle and slave of Jack Riddle is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it does not appear from our records that Sam Riddle is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. It appears, however, that one Sam Lee now about fifty-two years of age, and the son of Matilda Riddle, and former slave of George Riddle has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. His name has not yet however, been placed upon the schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1114

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 16, 1905.

A. O. Archer,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 13, 1905, in which you state that Sam Lee a freedman of Nowell, Indian Territory, has requested you to look after his application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman; you therefore ask the status of his case at this time.

In reply to your letter you are advised that one Sam Lee has been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such was approved by the Secretary of the Interior, July 20, 1905.

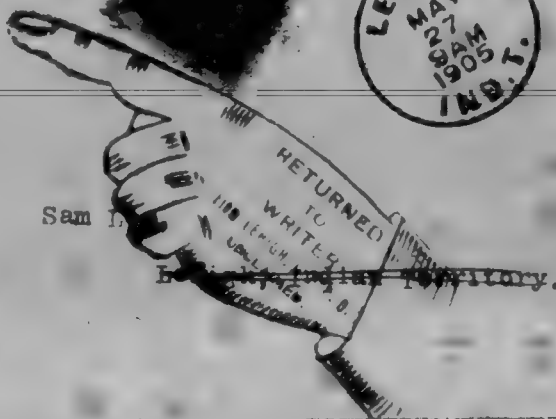
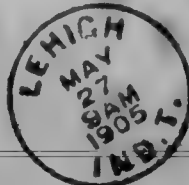
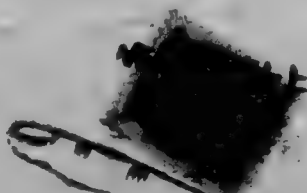
Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

MINERVA CHALK, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Minerva Chalk.

Q. How old are you?

A. Fifty-two years old.

Q. Who did you belong to?

A. David Holmes.

Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?

A. Up and down the railroad.

Q. Have you always lived in the Territory?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you married?

A. No sir, I am a widow.

Q. Did you ever go by any other name?

A. Yes sir, Sutor.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Craven

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 10, 1904.

Edmond Suter,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd inst., addressed to the United States Indian Agent and by him referred to this Commission for appropriate action. Therein you state that your sister and brother, Winnie and Arthur Suter are Choctaw freedmen and that through some neglect no application has ever been made for the enrollment of said children as Choctaw freedmen, and it is presumed that you desire to be advised relative to what steps are necessary to be taken in the matter to have them listed for enrollment.

You are informed it does not appear from our records that any application has ever been made to this Commission for the enrollment of Winnie or Arthur Suter, as Choctaw freedmen, and under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July 1, 1902, the Commission is now without authority to receive or consider the original application for enrollment as a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1115

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1904.

Ed Suter,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., addressed to the Indian Agent, Muskogee, Indian Territory, and by him referred to this Commission for appropriate action.

Therein you request to be advised why the names of your brother and sister, Arthur and Winnie Suter, do not appear upon the roll.

You are informed it does not appear from our records that any application has ever been made to this Commission for the enrollment of the above named persons and under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July 1, 1902, the Commission is now without authority to receive or consider the original application for enrollment of any person whatsoever as a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choc. Fr. 1775.

Andrew Jackson

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J. B. McALESTER

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

MINERVA SUTOR, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Minerva Sutor.

Q. Is Andrew Jackson your son? A. Yes sir.

(For citizenship ip, see testimony of Minerva Sutor.)

Q. Is Andrew Jackson married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is his wife a citizen?

A. Yes sir, but they are separated.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cravens

Choc. Fr. 1117

Jim Jackson

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH MALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

JIM JACKSON, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Jim Jackson.

Q. How old are you?

twenty-two (22) years.

Q. What is your mother's name?

Minerva Sator.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. David Holmes.

Q. Are you married?

A. I have been.

Q. Is your wife a State woman?

A. Yes sir.

Department of the Interior,
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as
Stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chavens

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 9, 1904.

Jim Jackson,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 26, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to your enrollment.

You are informed it appears from our records that Jim Jackson, now about 25 years of age, of South McAlester, Indian Territory, has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but his name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1118

Andrew Johnson

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

ANDREW JOHNSON, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Andrew Johnson,

Q. How old are you?

Thirty-two years old.

Q. What is your mother's name?

A. Joanna Johnson.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Wilson Jones.

Q. Where have you been living?

A. Here, part of the time.

Q. You have never lived outside of the Territory?

A. No sir.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name?

A. Laura Johnson, a Cherokee.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cramer

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 8, 1903.

Charles E. McPherron,
Attorney at Law,
Caddo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 28, asking the status of the enrollment of Frank and Harry Lewis, children of Alice and Harry Lewis, Andrew Johnson, son of Andrew and Joanna Johnson, and his daughter, Nina Johnson, and Caroline Lewis who is the mother of Sallie Colbert.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Frank and Harry Lewis, children of Alice and Harry Lewis, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that Caroline Lewis, daughter of Sarah and John Lewis, has been enrolled by this Commission as a Chickasaw Freedmen and her enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Sarah Lewis, the mother of Caroline Lewis, was formerly the slave of Sam Colbert, and it is believed that this is the person to whom you refer.

C.E. No. 2

It further appears from our records that there are several persons who are applicants to this Commission for enrollment as Freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, under the name of Andrew Johnson, but the information contained in your letter is not sufficient to enable us to identify him upon our records. If you will state the full name under which he made application, his age, the names of his parents and any other information you may possess which will enable the Commission to identify him upon its records, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

You are also advised that it does not appear from our records that application has been made to this Commission for the enrollment of Anna Johnson as a Choctaw or Chickasaw Freedman under this name.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1118

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 1, 1904.

Andrew Johnson,

Grant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the certificate of William Hamilton to the marriage of Andrew and Sophia Johnson September 12, 1892, which was received without a letter of transmittal.

You are requested to inform the Commission for what purpose this certificate of marriage was forwarded.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choc. Fr. 1119

Millie Payton

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH WEALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 4th, 1899.

CHARLES B. Peyton, for his wife, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Charles B. Peyton. |
| Q. Who was your wife's mother? | A. Patsy Freeman. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. William Patsley. |
| Q. How long have you been married to her? | A. Two (2) years. |
| Q. What is her name? | A. Willy Peyton. |
| Q. What county does she live in? | |
| A. Tobuckey. | |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, under my official seal as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cramer

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Sarah Perry

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Malina Perry

as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Malvina Perry, born on the 31 day of October, 1900
 (Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father: Henry Perry Indiwan Chickasaw Nation.
 Name of Mother: Sarah Perry a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-office South Walest I.T.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central

District.

I, Sarah Perry Indiwan, on oath state that I am 21
 years of age and a citizen, by blood, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of Henry Perry, who is a citizen, by
Indiwan, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a female child was
 (male or female.)
 born to me on 31 day of October, 1900 that said child has been
 named Malvina Perry, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9th

day of

August1902W. C. Castigan
NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central

District,

I, Mary Bryant, a midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Sarah Perry, wife of Henry Perry
 on the 31 day of October, 1900; that there was born to her on
 said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
 (male or female.)
 named Malvina Perry

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Materna Perry
as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Name of Mother: Sarah Perry a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Post-office South Wabash, I. T.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

I, Sarah Perry (Judge), on oath state that I am 21
years of age and a citizen, by blood, of the Choctaw Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Henry Perry, who is a citizen, by
blood, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a female child was
(male or female)
born to me on 31 day of October, 1900; that said child has been
named Malvina Perry, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9th

day of

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W. C. Costigan
NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

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named Malvina Perry

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9th

day of

August

1902

W. C. Costigan
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Reply to
17-137.

Indian Territory,
Choctaw Nation,

In re application for Enrollment
as a freedman citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Malvina Perry daughter of Henry and
Sarah Perry, both freedmen citizens of the
Choctaw Nation.

Sarah Perry who being first
duly sworn deposes and says, that she is
twenty one years of age, and that she is a
freedman citizen of the Choctaw Nation, that
she is the lawful wife of Henry Perry, now
deceased, that she is the mother of Malvina
Perry born October 31, 1900, and Joseph Perry
now deceased. That affiant is the daughter
of Squire Riddle and Hannah Riddle.
and that her maiden name was Sarah Riddle.
That the names of Squire Riddle and Hannah
Riddle's children are Peter Riddle, Monroe
Riddle, Sina Riddle and Squire Riddle, the
last two named being now dead.
That affiant was legally married to her
husband Henry Perry on September 27th
1897, near Williston Indian Territory.
and that her said husband Henry Perry
died on or about the 19th May 1900.
Affiant further states that she was enrolled
as a freedman citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
by her father Squire Riddle, but as to the
time and place affiant is not certain.
That affiant was afterwards enrolled at
Hatchville during the month of August 1899.

by her husband Harry Perry.

Affiant further says that her post
office address is 561 West 14th St. S.W.

Sarah Perry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
25th day of September 1902

W. C. Costigan
Notary Public

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AFRIDAVID of Sarah Perry

Sarah Perry of South McAlester I.T. being duly Sworn, deposes and says,
That she is the Daughter of Hannah Riddle deceased, who was a slave of
Tekumsey Brown, who was a full blood Chectaw Indian, and by virtue thereof
she is a Chectaw Freedman Sarah Perry

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of April 1904

W. J. Oglesby

Notary Public

Central District I.T.

My Commission Expires Jan the 25 1908

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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CHAIRMAN.

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17-1120

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 30, 1908.

Sarah Perry,

Care William Costigan, Notary Public,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Malvina Perry, infant daughter of Henry and Sarah Perry, born October 31, 1900; which was returned to Henry Perry, South McAlester, Indian Territory, August 12, 1908, for further information relative to the mother of the child.

Receipt is also acknowledged of your affidavit relative to your marriage to Henry Perry, and containing information in regard to your parents, and the time and place application was made for your enrollment.

In our letter of August 12, 1908, you were informed that it appears from our records that on September 28, 1898, Henry Perry, 37 years of age, of Dibble, Indian Territory, and his three minor children, Jesse, Frank and Mary Alice Perry, were listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, at which time it was

stated that his wife was Blanche Perry.

If the Henry Perry listed for enrollment as stated is the father of your child and you were his lawful wife at the time the child was born, you are requested to inform the Commission what has become of his former wife, Blanche Perry.

The application, and your affidavit are returned to you herewith. You are advised that upon receipt of the information requested herein relative to Henry and Blanche Perry, and return of the application for the enrollment of your child, together with your affidavit, the matter will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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17-1130.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 2, 1903.

Sarah Perry,

Care William Costigan,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

It appears from our records that on August 12, 1902, there was received at this office the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Malvina Perry, infant daughter of Harry and Sarah Perry, born October 31, 1900; and the same was returned to you for further information relative to the mother of the child.

It does not appear that the application for the enrollment of this child was ever returned to this office. You are therefore requested to return the same at your earliest convenience for further consideration.

Please return this letter with the application.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1120.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 12, 1903.

Sarah Perry,

P.O. Box 571,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th inst., relative to the enrollment of your minor child, Malvina Perry; in which you state that the application for the enrollment of this child was handed the Commission while in session at South McAlester in December, 1902.

You are advised that it appears from our records that on December 24, 1902, the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Malvina Perry, infant daughter of Henry and Sarah Perry, born October 31, 1900, was received at this office; and the same being in proper form was duly filed with our records, and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1130.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1906.

Sarah Perry,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of your enrollment as a freedman of the
Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to supply the Commis-
sion with a sworn statement, stating whether or not your mother,
Hannah Riddle, was a slave, and if so, to whom she belonged.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as
the sworn statement requested is necessary in the matter of your
enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1180

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

Sarah Perry,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit, stating that you are the daughter of Hannah Kiddle, deceased, who was a slave of Tecumseh Brown, a full blood Choctaw Indian, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1121

Enoch Flack

1121

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH MALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

ENOCH FLACK, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Enoch Flack.
- Q. How old are you? A. About fifty (50)
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Widow Flack.
- Q. A Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?
- A. In the Nation here.
- Q. In the Choctaw Nation all the time? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is your wife's name?
- A. She is a Creek, on the Creek Roll.
- Q. Who was Richmond McGee?
- A. A slave of Mrs. Flack.
- Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Always lived in the Nation here? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Littleton Holt, who did he belong to? A. Widow Flack.
- Q. Always lived in Nation here? A. Yes sir.
- Q. How old is Littleton? A. Thirty-eight (38)
- Q. Tibbett Brown, is he a Choctaw, A. Yes sir.
- Q. Who did he belong to? A. Widow Flack.
- Q. Always lived in the Territory? A. Yes sir.
- Q. How old is Tibbett?
- A. About forty-two (42) years old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath, that the foregoing is a true, full and correct transcript of the stenographic notes.

R. R. Gravies

COMMISSIONERS
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TAMM BIXBY,
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,
C. R. BRECKINRIDGE

ALLISON I. AVLESWORTH
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Ind.Ter., September 18, 1902.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,

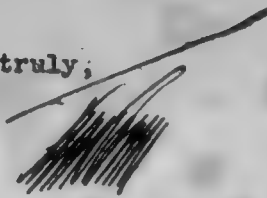
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Mattie Flack, age 21 years, and John Flack, age 23 years, are regularly enrolled on Creek Indian Card, Field No. 492; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names were included in the partial roll of Creek citizens by blood approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 13, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division that said Mattie and John Flack are the children of Enoch Flack, a Choctaw freedman, and Cornelia Flack, a citizen of the Creek Nation.

Yours truly,



Acting Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Richmond McGee

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SECRETARY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek Indian 932.

ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 19, 1902.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,

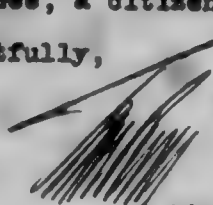
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Walter, Nancy, Clarence, Sadie, Frank and Cornelia McGee, ages 20, 18, 16, 13, 10 and 7 years, respectively, are regularly enrolled on Creek Indian Card, Field No. 932; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names were included in partial roll of Creek citizens by blood approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 13, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division, that the above named are the children of Richmond McGee, a Choctaw freedman, and Mary McGee, a citizen of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

Nothing in Enrollment Jacket of
Tibbett Brown, Choctaw Freedman
#1123

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B.D.S.

Choc. Fr 1124

Littleton Holt

Fr 1124

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek Indian #868.

ADDRESSED ONLY TO THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 19, 1902.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,

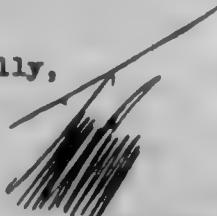
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Mollie Woodard, Henry Holt, Emanuel Holt, Sarah Jane Holt and Mattie Holt, ages 17, 13, 11, 9 and 3 years, respectively, are regularly enrolled on Creek Indian Card, Field No. 868; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names are included in partial roll of Creek citizens by blood approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 13, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division, that said Mollie Woodard is the daughter of Charlie Woodard, a Choctaw citizen, and Abbie Holt, a citizen of the Creek Nation; that said Henry, Emanuel, Sarah Jane and Mattie Holt, are the children of Littleton Holt, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, and said Abbie Holt, and that said Littleton Holt, husband of said Abbie Holt, is enrolled on Choctaw Freedman Card, No. 1124.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

Choc Fr 1125

Wesley McKimney

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALISTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

WESLEY McKINNEY, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Wesley McKinney.
- Q. How old are you? A. Forty six.
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Thompson McKinney.
- Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?
- A. A. Choctaw.
- Q. Are you married?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is your wife's name?
- A. Lucinda McKinney, a Cherokee.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, R. R. Cramer, being a U. S. official or an official stenographer to above named Commission, do hereby certify that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cramer

Choc. Tr. 1126
Gibson Folsom

Fr. 1126

FREEDMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
SOUTH McAISTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

GIBSON FOLSON, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Gibson Folsom.
- Q. How old are you? A. About forty-eight (48)
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Sim Folsom.
- Q. You have never enrolled have you? AA. No sir.
- Q. Where were you when you were freed?
- A. In Kiamichi County.
- Q. Where did you go then? A. Blue County.
- Q. Been here in the Choctaw Nation ever since?
- A. Yes sir.

HENRY CHALK, being sworn, testified in behalf of Gibson Folsom.

- Q. What is your name? A. Henry Chalk.
- Q. Do you know Gibson Folsom? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Who did he belong to? A. Sim Folsom.
- Q. A Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where has Gibson Folsom been living?
- A. Right north of Kiamichi.
- Q. Been here ever since? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married Folsom? A. Have been.
- Q. Are you married now? A. No sir.
- Q. Have you any children? A. No sir.
- Q. What is your mother's name? A. Maggie Garland.

Department of the Interior,

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, under my official oath as
Scribe, that the foregoing is a true, full and correct translation of
the foregoing notes.

R. B. Cooney

Choc. Fr. 1127

Sam McCoy

Fr. 1127

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT 5, 1899.

SAM MCCOY, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Sam McCoy.
- Q. How old are you? A. About thirty or thirty-five years old.
- Q. What is your mothers name? A. Eva Walker?
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Sam Caffrey.
- Q. A white man?
- A. Yes sir, my mother belonged to Sallie Caffrey.
- Q. Where have you been living all your life?
- A. Right here.
- Q. In the Nation all the time? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Ever live out of the Territory? A. No sir.
- Q. Why were you rejected?
- A. I was sick and did not go to enroll.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your wife a State woman? A. No sir, citizen.
- Q. What is her name?
- A. Jane McCoy.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Craven

Mustang Indian Territory, January 6, 1901.

Louise Bradley,

Grant, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of December 24th in which you desire to be informed if your father, Sam McCoy, is listed for enrollment by this Commission.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the records of this Commission show that Sam McCoy, 35 years of age, of South McAlester, Indian Territory, is listed for enrollment as a black freedman, having been the slave of Sally Gaffney.

If this is not your father, you are requested to state his full name and age, his past office, the time and place he appeared before the Commission for enrollment and any other information that may lead to his identification. Upon receipt of such information the matter will be given further consideration.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

17-1127

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 23, 1901.

Louisa Bradley,

Grant, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of the 18th instant replying to the Commission's letter of the 8th of January containing information as to the enrollment of one, Sam McCoy, 26 years of age of South McAlester, Indian Territory, as a Choctaw freedman.

You state in your letter of the 19th instant to the Commission that Sam McCoy is your father and that you were first enrolled as Louisa McCoy.

The Commission had to request that you furnish more specific and concise information as to your purpose in now making this inquiry. Please state when and where you appeared before the Commission as an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, your age, whether you applied for the enrollment of any one else besides yourself, the name of your father, the name of your mother who your father and mother were the slaves of and such other information as may enable the Commission to have a clearer understanding of this matter.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman
1187

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 8, 1903.

Sam McCoy,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 30 asking if the enrollment of yourself and family has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that the name of Sam McCoy, son of Jerry Shield and Eva Walker, is now being placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedman which is being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. You do not mention the names of the members of your family and it is impossible to give you any information concerning the status of their enrollment.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1127
18-1451

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 28, 1904.

Sam McCoy,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 24th instant, requesting information relative to the enrollment of your wife Jane McCoy and her minor children.

You are informed that Jane McCoy and her minor children Willie, Wesley, Henry and Sam McCoy have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their rights to final enrollment as such have not yet been determined.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1128

Joe Graves

Fr. 1128

17-138
Choctaw Creek
1183

Muskogee Indian Territory, February 2, 1903

Joe Graves,

Alderson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January, 1903, in which you state that you have heard that the allotment will begin February 15, 1903; and you wish to be informed how much land you will be entitled to select for yourself and your five children in allotment.

In reply to your letter you are informed that if you will furnish a description of the land which you desire to take in allotment for yourself and your children, you will receive a plat showing the classification thereof and a schedule of the appraised value of the lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations; also a table showing the number of acres of each grade of land which constitute an allotment.

You are advised that no date has been fixed for the opening of the land offices, but it is probable that the same will be opened some time between the first of March and the first of April.

Respectfully,

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1908.

Joe Graves,

Alderson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your children as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it is necessary for you to furnish the Commission with evidence of your marriage to Mattie Graves, the mother of your said children.

Such evidence may consist either of your original marriage certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavit of two eye-witnesses to the marriage.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as the evidence requested is necessary in the matter of the enrollment of your children as Choctaw freedmen, and nothing further can be done toward placing their names upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen until such evidence is received.

Respectfully,

Chairman

17-1228

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 6, 1903.

Joe Graves,

Gealgate, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 24, 1903, relative to furnishing the Commission with your certificate of marriage, stating that the same was forwarded to the Commission at South McAlester, Indian Territory, when the Commission was in session at that point enrolling citizens of the Choctaw Nation, and that it has never been returned to you.

You are informed it does not appear from our records that any evidence of your marriage to Mattie Graves has ever been received by the Commission. If you are unable now to furnish the original marriage certificate or a certified copy thereof, the affidavit of two or more eye-witnesses to the marriage if properly executed and forwarded to this office will receive due consideration. Such affidavits must be duly acknowledged before a notary public, or some court of record having a seal which must be affixed to each affidavit. All signatures which are made by mark must be witnessed by two parties able to write their own names.

This matter should receive prompt attention.
Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1130

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 12, 1905.

Joe Graves,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th inst., enclosing the affidavits of Willis Factor and Sloan Ward, eye-witnesses to your marriage with Mattie Graves (nee Mattie McVay); and the same have been duly filed with our records in the matter of the application for enrollment of the minor children of Joe and Mattie Graves as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1236

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 12, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,
Choctaw Land Office,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,
No. 1128:

"Affidavits relative to marriage between No. 11
and mother of children hereon filed Oct. 12, 1903."

You are, therefore, requested to make like notation upon
the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above
information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

JOE GRAVES, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Joe Graves.
- Q. How old are you? A. Forty-one (41)
- Q. Where did you enroll fifteen years ago.
- A. Right on Blue Branch.
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Daniel Graves.
- Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where have you been since you were turned free?
- A. In the Territory.
- Q. Always lived in the Territory? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your wife a citizen? A. No sir.
- Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married to your wife? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Can you prove it? A. Yes sir.

Marriage certificate to be supplied.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R R Crum

United States of America)
Indian Territory (SS.
Central - - - - District)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public within and for the Central District of the Indian Territory; on this the 6th day of October, A.D. 1903, personally appeared Filis Factor, who, being by me first duly sworn, states on her oath as follows;

My name is Filis Factor. I am something more than sixty years old, I do not know just how old I am, but I remember about the war. My Post Office address is Atoka, Indian Territory. I am acquainted with Joe Graves and Mattie Graves (nee Mattie McVay) and have known them most all of their lives, I raised Joe myself.

I remember when they were married, it was about eighteen years ago and occurred at Sloan Ward's house, near Allen Byou, on Red River in the Indian Territory. I do not remember what day of the month it was but it was in the winter, December I think, and on Thursday night. We all lived neighbors down there and all went to see the marriage. They were married by William Butler who was a Baptist Minister of the Gospel. I remember their marriage very well and I have known them every since and know that they are now, and have been since their marriage, living together as husband and wife.

I have no interest whatever in any application that they, or their children may have, pending before the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen.

Witness to mark
D. M. Brooks

Filis Factor
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 6th day of October, 1903.

D. H. Linebaugh
Notary Public

United States of America)
Indian Territory (ss.
Central - - - - District)

Before me, the undersigned authority, a
Notary Public within and for the Central District of the Indian Ter-
ritory, on this the 6th day of October, A.D. 1903 personally appeared
Sloan Ward, who, being by me first duly sworn, states on his oath
as follows;

My name is Sloan Ward. I am about 40 years of age.
My Post Office address is Atoka, Indian Territory. I am acquaint-
ed with Joe Graves and Mattie Graves (nee Mattie McVay) and have
known them about twenty or twenty five years. I was present at
the time of their marriage, they married at my house near Allen Byon
on Red River in the Indian Territory, on Thursday night, December 17,
1885. They were married by William Butler who was a Minister of
the Gospel and a member of the Baptist Church. At that time ~~the~~
marriage license was not used and they did not have any, but I rem-
ember their marriage very well, was present at the time of their
marriage, and know that they were united in marriage, as above stated

I have no interest whatever in any application that they or
their children may have, pending before the Commission to the Five
Civilized Tribes for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Witness to mark
E. M. Linebaugh
D. M. Books

Sloan *his* *Ward*
mark


Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 6th day of October, 1903.

E. M. Linebaugh
Notary Public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Choc. Fr. 1129

James Reed

Fr. 1129

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

JIM REED, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Jim Reed.
- Q. How old are you? A. Twenty-six (26).
- Q. What is your mother's name? A. Caroline Reed.
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Louisa Walker.
- Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where have you been living? all your life?
- A. Been living here at home, except the last seven years.
- Q. Where did you live then?
- A. Cherokee Nation.
- Q. Have you been living there the last seven years?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is your wife's name?
- A. Annie Reed.
- Q. Is she a Citizen? A. No sir, a Cherokee.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. P. Cravens

Choc. Fr. 1130

Rhoda Harnage

Fr. 1130

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 5th, 1899.

RHODA HARBAGE, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Rhoda Harbage.

Q. How old are you?

A. Fifty-seven (57)

Q. Who did you belong to?

A. Edmond Ward.

Q. Where did you enroll about fifteen years ago.

A. At Tushkahoma.

Q. Where were you set free?

A. On Red River.

Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?

A. In the Nation ever since.

Q. Did you ever go by any other name? A. Yes, Rhoda Ward.

Q. When did you register at Tushkahoma?

A. About seven or ten years ago, I think.

Q. Who was there at the time?

A. The Indians.

Q. Why did you not enroll at the regular enrollment?

A. I did at Atoka.

Q. What is your mother's name?

A. Sooky Ward.

Q. What is your girl's name?

A. Sylvia Webb, she be-

longed to Edm Ward and I took him to the Cherokee Nation after the surrender and she has never been living in the Choctaw Nation since, but always lived in the Cherokee and Creek Nations., and she lives in the Creek Nation now and she has four children, all of which live in the Creek Nation and always have. They were born in the Cherokee Nation, have never lived in the Choctaw Nation and now live in the Creek Nation, and their names are as follows:

Edm. Webb, sixteen years old, Sylvia Webb, twelve years

old, and two boys, twenty-two years old and twenty years old.

Q. The son Edm. Webb's mother was never living with you?

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

A. R. Cravens

Choc. Fr. 1131

John Briley

2-3+4 Dismissed Feb 25, 1907.

D.C.L.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Carrie Briley, et al., as Choctaw Freedmen.

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Send employe to
So McAlester to
hunt up Riley and
ascertain when and
where he was married.

Get marriage certificate
if possible. Henderson
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FREEDMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 6", 1899.

JOHN BRILEY, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. John Briley.

Q. How old are you?

A. Thirty-two years old.

Q. What was your mothers name?

A. Mary Hill.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Sedwick Harrison.

Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?

A. In the Cherokee Nation for the last eight years.

Q. Where were you born?

A. In Townsend County.

Q. Are you married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a State woman?

A. No sir, but she can not get her rights proved up.

Q. Have you nay children?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How many?

A. Three (3)

Q. Are you married to your wife?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you a marriage certificate?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Where is it?

A. At home.

Marriage certificate to be supplied.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cravens

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O.L.J.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Carrie Briley, et al., as Choctaw freedmen.

DECISION.

It appears from the record herein that on September 6, 1899, application was made to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment, among others, of Carrie Briley, Bertie Briley and Henry Briley, as Choctaw freedmen.

This office has for the past four years, through its field parties operating in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and by its land office and by interviews at this office of residents of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations of extensive acquaintance, made every effort to ascertain the whereabouts of said applicants but no information has been obtained.

It is considered that the applicants are either dead or residing without the limits of the Indian Territory.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that the application for the enrollment of Carrie Briley, Bertie Briley and Henry Briley, as Choctaw freedmen, should be dismissed, and it is so ordered.



Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

FEB 25 1907

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1902.

John Briley,

Dawson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Henry Briley, son of John and Hannah Briley, has been filed with the Commission. There is inclosed herewith a blank application for enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of your son, Henry Briley, as a Choctaw freedman until proof of his birth has been furnished.

You are also advised that in the matter of the enrollment of your children, Carrie, Bertie and Henry Briley, it is necessary that the Commission be supplied with evidence of the marriage between you and your wife, Hannah Briley. You should forward the original marriage license or a certified copy thereof, or furnish

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other legal evidence of such marriage. No further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of these children until the evidence requested is supplied.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Wm.
J.C.

Leahy Chairman.

COMMISSIONERS
TAMM BIXBY,
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,
C. R. BRECKINRIDGE,
W. E. STANLEY.

ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH,
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING.

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ADDRESSES TO THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1903.

John Briley,
Dawson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your son, Henry Briley, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any affidavit as to the birth of said child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

You are also advised that in the matter of the enrollment of your children, Carrie, Bertie and Henry Briley, it is necessary that the Commission be supplied with evidence of the marriage between you and your wife, Hannah Briley. You should therefore forward to the Commission evidence of said marriage, either in the form of your original marriage certificate, or a certified copy

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thereof, or the affidavits of two eye-witnesses to the marriage.

The matters herein referred to should receive your immediate attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your children until the evidence requested is supplied.

Respectfully,



B.C.
Env.

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 10, 1905.

Commissioner in Charge,
Choctaw Land Office,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 5, 1905, in which you ask if John Briley has any later post office address than Dawson, Indian Territory.

In reply to your letter you are advised that our records do not show any other post office address of John Briley than Dawson, Indian Territory, and letters addressed to him at that place have been returned "unclaimed".

Respectfully,

Chairman.

REPLY IN WRITING TO THE FOLLOWING:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, November 22, 1905.

John Briley,

Dawson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your children, Carrie, Bertie and Henry Briley as Choctaw freedmen it does not appear that any affidavits as to the births of said children have been filed with this office. You are therefore, requested to fill out and return to this office immediately the inclosed blanks for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested to by two disinterested witnesses.

You are also advised that in the matter of the enrollment of your said children it is necessary that this office be supplied with evidence of the marriage between you and your wife, Anna Briley. You should, therefore, forward to this office evidence of said marriage either in the form of your original marriage certificate, or a certified copy thereof.

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The matters herein referred to should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken in the matter of the enrollment of your children until the evidence requested is supplied.

Respectfully,

W. O. Beall

Acting Commissioner.

Inc. 3 B. C.

Form No. 260.

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SEND the following message subject to the terms
on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 19, 1907.

Andrew J. Gardenhire,
Hotel Busby, South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Endeavor to see John Briley, South McAlester, ascertain when
and where he married Hannah Briley. Secure marriage certificate
if possible. Briley has three children, Garrie, Bertie and Henry.

Bixby,
Commissioner.

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READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT ON BACK.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 23, 1907.

I, Andrew J. Gardenhire, Clerk to the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, do solemnly swear that on February 21, 1907, I proceeded to McAlester, Indian Territory, and made numerous inquiries of the Postmaster, and other old residents of that place as to the present location of John Briley but was unable to find any one who had ever known of a John Briley living in that locality.

Andrew J. Gardenhire

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23d day of February, 1907.

Walter D. Chappell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Choc, Fr. 1132

Lorena Hogan

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 6th, 1899.

LORENA HOGAN, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Lorena Hogan. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Thirty-two years old. |
| Q. What is your mothers name? | A. Caroline Washington. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. Mrs. Betts. |
| Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? | A. Choctaw. |
| Q. Where have you been living all your life? | |
| A. In the Territory. | |
| Q. Are you married? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Is your husband a State man? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Thirty-two years old. |
| Q. Have you any children? | A. Yes sir. |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Gertha May Hogan
as a citizen of the

CHOCTAW FREELMEN

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Commissioner.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Bertha May Hagan, born on the 13 day of November, 1900
(Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father: R B Hagan, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
by marriage
 Name of Mother: Lerena Hagan, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-Office: Acmeacusta I T

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }
Central District. }

I, Lerena Hagan, on oath state that I am 36
 years of age and a citizen, by birth, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of R B Hagan, who is a citizen, by
marriage, of the Choctaw Nation, that a female child was
(Male or female.)
 born to me on the 13 day of November, 1900; that said child has been
 named Bertha May Hagan, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of November, 1900

CENTRAL
DISTRICTM. M. M. M.

Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }
Central District. }

I, Lula Gavan, a midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Lerena Hagan, wife of R B Hagan,
 on the 13 day of November, 1900; that there was born to her on said
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(Male or female.)
 named Bertha May Hagan.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of November, 1900

CENTRAL
DISTRICTM. M. M. M.

Notary Public.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Madona Hogan

as a citizen of the

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

Nation.

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Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Madena Hagan, born on the 29th day of December, 1897
(Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father: R. B. Hagan, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Name of Mother: Larena Hagan, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-Office: South Meadester D. I.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Larena Hagan, on oath state that I am 36
 years of age and a citizen, by birth, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of R. B. Hagan, who is a citizen, by
marriage, of the Choctaw Nation, that a female child was
(Male or female.)
 born to me on the 29th day of December, 1897; that said child has been
 named Madena Hagan, and is now living.

Larena Hagan

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of November, 1902.M. M. M. M.
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Mattie Underdug, a midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Larena Hagan, wife of R. B. Hagan,
 on the 29th day of December, 1897; that there was born to her on said
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(Male or female.)
 named Madena Hagan.

Mattie Underdug
mark

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)John F. Burroughs
John D. LyleSubscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of November, 1902.M. M. M. M.
Notary Public.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1902.

Lorena Hogan,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Madonia Hogan, daughter of Lorena and R. B. Hogan, has been filed with the Commission. There is inclosed herewith a blank application for enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of your daughter, Madonia Hogan, as a Choctaw freedman until proof of her birth is supplied.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Rev.
B.C.

Acting Chairman.

17-2123.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 24, 1908.

Lorena Hogan,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Lorena Hogan and Mattie Underwood relative to the birth of Madona Hogan, infant daughter of R.B. and Lorena Hogan, born December 29, 1897; and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Bertha May Hogan, infant daughter of R.B. and Lorena Hogan, born November 15, 1900; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Receipt is further acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Victor Hogan, infant son of R.B. and Lorena Hogan, born October 18, 1902.

You are informed that the Commission is now without

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authority to enroll this child, it appearing that said child was born October 18, 1908, subsequent to the ratification by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1908, of an act of Congress approved July 1, 1908.

Section twenty-eight thereof provides as follows:

"The names of all persons living on the date of the final ratification of this agreement entitled to be enrolled as provided in section 27 hereof shall be placed upon the rolls made by said Commission; and no child born thereafter to a citizen or freedman and no person intermarried thereafter to a citizen shall be entitled to enrollment or to participate in the distribution of the tribal property of the Choctaws and Chickasaws."

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 1, 1906.

Lorena Hogan,

Haywood, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 24, 1906, stating that you have a brother who died since 1892 whose name is Beney W. Mays and you desire to know if his heirs will be entitled to his allotment.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein is not sufficient to enable this office to identify Beney W. Mays upon its records as an applicant to enrollment as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation or as a Choctaw freedman.

You are further advised that under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, no person who died prior to September 25, 1902, the date of the ratification of said act, is entitled to enrollment and allotment in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Replying to that portion of your letter in which you state you have three children to allot for and ask if they have been approved, you are advised that Lorena Hogan and her children Ezella, Lethia, Levangilus, Harvey, Madona and Bertha May Hogan have been

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enrolled as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such was approved by the Secretary of the Interior, April 6, 1902.

It appears from the records of this office that affidavits to the birth of your child, Walter Hagan, born October 18, 1902, were filed with this office but under existing legislation there is no provision for the enrollment of children of Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen born subsequent to September 25, 1902.

In event additional legislation is enacted, due notice thereof will be given through the press.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

Choc. Fr. 1133

Maria Eubanks

Fr. 1133

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 6*, 1899.

MARIAH EUBANKS, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Mariah Eubanks.

Q. How old are you?

A. Twenty-nine (29)

Q. What is your mothers name?

A. Ann Shoat.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Jonas Nail.

Q. Where have you been living all your life.?

A. Right here in the Territory.

Q. Do you live here now?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been called Eubanks?

A. Fifteen (15) years.

Q. What was your name before you were married?

A. Mariah Flack.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

*I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.*

R. R. Cravens

FREEDMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

ALFRED EUBANKS, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Alfred Eubanks. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. About forty-four (44). |
| Q. Who did you belong to? | A. Osborn Fisher. |
| Q. Live with him? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Where? | A. Red River. |
| Q. In the State or Territory? | A. In the Territory. |
| Q. Where have you been living all your life? | |
| A. In the Territory. all my life. | |
| Q. Are you married? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Are you the husband of Mariah Eubanks? | |
| A. Yes sir. | |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Crowder

17-1133

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 9, 1904.

W. H. Bingham,

Attorney at Law,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3rd inst., requesting to be advised if Sampson Eubanks, son of Alfred Eubanks, appears upon the rolls as a Choctaw freedman, stating that unless he was included in the application made by his father you are unable to give the date when application was made for him.

You are advised it appears from our records that on September 6, 1899, Maria Eubanks, her children, Joseph, Henry, and Willie Eubanks, and her husband, Alfred Eubanks, were listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen. There is nothing contained, however, in the application made for Maria Eubanks and her family, or in the application made for Alfred Eubanks, with reference to Sampson Eubanks, or any other child except the three named herein, neither does it appear from our records that any application has ever been received by this Commission for the enrollment of the Sampson Eubanks referred to in your letter.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choc. Fr. 1134

Annie Shoat

Fr. 1134

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 6th, 1899.

ANNA SHOAT, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Anna Shoat. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. About fifty (50) |
| Q. Who did you belong to? | A. Calina Davis. |
| Q. Where were you when you were turned free? | |
| A. At Atoka. | |
| Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free? | |
| A. In the Territory. | |
| Q. Ever in the States? | A. No sir, never was. |
| Q. Always lived in the Territory? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Are you married? | A. No sir. |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

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stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

J. R. Cravens

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COMMISSIONERS:
TAMM HENRY,
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,
C. E. BRICKENRIDGE.

WM. O. BRALL,
Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

DO NOT REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 28, 1904.

Ann Shoat,

Quinton, Indian Territory.

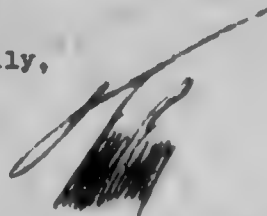
Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 17th instant, stating that your husband, a discharged soldier and a Choctaw freedman, was killed a few years ago, and you request to be advised if after proof of his death you can select an allotment for him.

You are informed that Annie Shoat fifty-five years of age has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman, her enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior April 8, 1903.

It does not appear from our records that said Annie Shoat was the wife of any person. If you will state the name of your husband, the time and place application was made for his enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and the date of his death, you will be duly advised in the matter.

Respectfully,



Chairman.

Choc. Fr 1135

Cash Ellis

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 1st, 1899.

HENRY CHALK, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Henry Chalk.

Q. How old are you?

A. About fifty-seven (57).

Q. Do you know Cash Ellis?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How old is he?

A. About forty (40).

Q. Who did he belong to?

A. Dunson Durant.

Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw?

A. Choctaw.

Q. Where has he been living since he was turned free?

A. In the Choctaw Nation.

Q. Never been living any where else?

A. No sir.

Q. Is he married?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Has he any children?

A. No sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chavens

Choctaw
Freedman 1135.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 30, 1903.

Sam Ellis,

Atoka, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 18th, asking that the Choctaw Land Office be notified of the approval of your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedule of Choctaw freedman prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to the selecting of your allotment at this time your attention is invited to Section Fifteen of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Rules for allotment.

Choc. Fr. 1136

Sallie Lynch

Fr. 1136

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALISTER, I. T., SEPT. 6th, 1899.

SALLY LYNCH, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Sally Lynch.
- Q. How old are you? A. Thirty (30) years old.
- Q. What was your mother's name? A. Ann Shoat.
- Q. Where have you been living all the time?
- A. At Krebs, I. T.
- Q. Have you lived here all your life? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Never lived out of the Territory?
- A. Yes sir, lived in Kansas.
- Q. Do you live here now? A. Yes sir.
- Q. How long ago did you live in Kansas?
- A. About ten (10) years ago.
- Q. Are you married? A. I have been.
- Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir, four.
- Q. How long have you been married? A. About ten (10) years.
- Q. Who was your mother? A. Ann Shoat.
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Celina Davis.
- Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw?
- A. Choctaw.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chambers

Choc. Fr. 1137

Richmond Campbell

Fr. 1137

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ROBERT MCALISTER, I. T. 7 SEPT. 7th, 1899.

RICHMOND CAMPBELL, being sworn, testified as follows:

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| Q. What is your name? | A. Richmond Campbell. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Twenty-six (26). |
| Q. Who was your mother? | A. Lucinda Johnson. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. Campbell LeFlore. |
| Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? | A. Choctaw. |
| Q. Where have you been living xxxxxxxxxxxx all your life? | |
| A. In the Choctaw Nation. | |
| Q. Are you married? | A. No sir. |

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

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R. R. Chawers

Choctaw Freedman
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 26, 1904.

Richmond Campbell,

Walls, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 19, in which you state that you are a Choctaw freedman and ask if you will be permitted to file for your child who is a Chickasaw by blood, and further state that you have been separated from your child's mother but that she is willing for you to file for the child.

In reply to your letter you are advised that you do not mention the name of your child and it is, therefore, impracticable to give you any information relative to his right to allotment. If you will state the name of your child and the name of his mother the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Washago, Indian Territory, March 6, 1907.

Richmond Campbell,

Sattco, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 20, 1907, stating that you have a child born December 15, 1904, who died December 20, 1904, and that you understand that the last act of Congress gave new born freedmen children a right to be enrolled, and you ask information in regard to this.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, provided only for the enrollment of minor children of citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations who were living March 4, 1906. You will therefore see that there is no authority to enroll a child who died prior to March 4, 1906.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Choc. Fr 1138

Lucinda Jones

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

LUCINDA JONES, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Lucinda Jones.
- Q. How old are you? A. Thirty-nine (39).
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. Eliver Thomas.
- Q. Was he a Choctaw or a Chickasaw?
- A. White man, his wife was a Choctaw.
- Q. How long has your name been Jones? A. Twenty years (20)
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your husband a State man? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Where have you lived all your life?
- A. In the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.
- Q. What was your name before you were married?
- A. Lucinda Thomas.
- Q. Who was your mother? A. Elvira Williams.
- Q. How old is she? A. One hundred & one (101).
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Thomas.
- Q. Where has she been living all her life? since she was freed?
- A. In the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.
- Q. Always been in the Territory? A. Yes sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chamer

Muskegee, Indian Territory, December 2, 1901.

P. S. Lester,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 24, 1901, in which you desire to be informed if the name of Lucindy Jones appears upon the census roll of Choctaw freedmen.

You are informed that the name of Lucinda Jones appears upon the 1896 census roll of freedmen of the Choctaw Nation as a resident of Tobacco County, No. 1989. This woman has also been listed for enrollment by this Commission as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Choc. Fr. 1139
Elvirah Thomas

Dismissed Feb. 16, 1907.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Elvirah Thomas as a Choctaw freedman.

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FREEDMAN
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

LUCINDA JONES, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? Lucinda Jones.
Q. Is Elza Thomas your mother? A. Yes sir.
Q. How old is she? A. One hundred & one (101).
Q. Who did she belong to? A. Oliver Thomas.
Q. Has she always lived in the Territory here?
A. Yes sir.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cannon

WREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SE PT. 7", 1899.

ENOCH FLACK, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Enoch Flack.

Q. How old are you?

A. Fifty-five (55).

Q. Do you know Elza Thompson?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. Oliver Thomas.

Q. Where has she lived since she was freed?

A. In the Territory.

Q. Always since she was freed?

A. Yes sir.

Q. How old is she?

A. About seventy-five or eighty years old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R R Curren

REPLY IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 22, 1906.

Lucinda Jones,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

It appears from the records of this office that your mother, Elvira Thomas, is an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

You are requested to inform this office as soon as practicable as to whether your mother is now living, her present post-office address and if she is dead, the date of her death, returning your reply in the inclosed envelope.

Respectfully,

W. O. Beale

Acting Commissioner.

Inc. Env.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Elvirah Thomas as a Choctaw freedman.

-: D E C I S I O N :-

It appears from the record herein that on September 7, 1899, at South McAlester, Indian Territory, application was made to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of Elvirah Thomas, aged 101 years, as a Choctaw freedman.

This office has for the past four years through its field parties operating in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and its land offices and by interviews at this office of residents of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations of extensive acquaintance in said nations made every effort to ascertain the whereabouts of the applicant, but no information has been obtained.

It is considered that the applicant is either dead or residing without the limits of the Indian Territory.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that the application for the enrollment of Elvirah Thomas as a Choctaw freedman should be dismissed, and it is so ordered.

[Signature]

Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

FEB 15 1901

Department of the Interior.
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
MUSKOGEE, IND. TER.



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Lucinda Jones,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

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Isaac Harris

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FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

ISAAC HARRIS, being sworn, testified as follows:

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|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Q. What is your name? | A. Isaac Harris. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Thirty-two (32). |
| Q. Who was your mother? | A. Matilda Harris. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. Mitchell Harris. |
| Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? | A. Choctaw. |
| Q. Are you married? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Is your wife a citizen? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. What is her mothers name? | A. Manda Star. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | Kelly Prazier. |
| Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? | A. Choctaw. |
| Q. What is the name of your child? | A. Lucinda Harris. |

Amanda Star is my step child.

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Crum

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
ATCHA, INDIAN TERRITORY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Martha Powell and her children, Mabel Powell and Timothy
Powell, as Chickasaw freedmen.

Isom Maytubbee, being first duly sworn upon his oath,
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Isom Maytubbee.
- Q Do you know Martha Powell? A That is my first daughter,
baby.
- Q Were you a slave? A Yes sir, I was slave.
- Q What was your owner's name? A Robert Jones. I was
born right there at Shawneetown and raised there.
- Q Was Robert Jones a Choctaw?
- Q Who is the mother of Martha Powell? A Maria Maytubbee.
- Q Is she a non-citizen? A Yes sir.
- Q State woman? A Yes sir.
- Q Were you married to Maria Maytubbee? A Yes sir.
- Q How old are you? A I am forty-six now.
- Q Your daughter, Martha Powell, was born since the war?
- Q Long time since the war? A Yes sir.
- Q Are you enrolled? A No. I want to show you this letter.
- Q You are on the final roll? A Yes sir.
- Q As a Choctaw freedman? A Yes sir.
- Q Your daughter, Martha Powell, claims her right through
you? A Yes sir.
- Q Where has Martha Powell been living all her life? A Here
with me, till she married.
- Q In the Choctaw nation? A Yes sir.
- Q Did she ever live outside of the Choctaw Nation? A No
sir.
- Q Have you got any other child besides Martha Powell? A Yes
sir.
- Q What are their names? A Ida Maytubbee, Mathew May-
tubbee, Aurelius Maytubbee, Leffie Maytubbee, Leroy Maytubbee,
and Mattie Maytubbee.
- Q How old is Leroy? A I could not tell you exactly. He
is about nine or ten years old.
- Q Who is the mother of Mattie Maytubbee? A Ida Maytubbee.
- Q These children you have named, Ida, Mathew, Aurelius,
Leffie, Leroy and Martha Powell, are all your children by
Maria Maytubbee? A Yes sir.
- Q And you were married to Maria Maytubbee? A Yes sir.

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Q Who is the preacher that married you? A William Butler,
a Baptist preacher.

Q Have you a marriage certificate? A No sir, them times
they never give us any, paid them \$2.00 but never give us
certificate.

Martha Powell, being first duly sworn upon her oath,
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q Who is the father of your children, Mabel and Timothy?

A Harrison Powell.

Q What is he? A Choctaw citizen.

Q Is he on the final roll? A Yes sir.

Q Has he filed? A Yes sir.

Daisy D. Daubin upon oath states that as stenographer
to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly
recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the
foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes
thereof.

Daisy D. Daubin
Sworn to before me this 20th day of September, 1904.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 9, 1901.

Isaac Harris,

Sansbets, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation of Isaac Harris, the infant daughter of Isaac and Lila Harris, born August 18th, 1900, and the same is returned to you herewith for the reason that the Commission is unable to identify the mother of this child as being listed for enrollment.

It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that she is 23 years of age and a citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation. If this is a fact, you are requested to state her full name, the name of her parents, the time and place she appeared before the Commission as an applicant for enrollment and any other information that may lead to her identification.

Upon receipt of this information and the return of the application, the matter of the enrollment of your child will be given further consideration.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 20, 1907.

Lila Harris,

Kinta, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and the affidavit of Riley Hicks to the death of Isaac Harris, a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation which occurred April 12, 1904, and the same have been filed as evidence of the death of the above named citizen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Choc. Fr. 1141

Caroline Washington

Fr. 1141

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1892.

CAROLINE WASHINGTON? being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Caroline Washington.
- Q. How old are you? A. I do not know.
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. David Bette.
- Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.
- Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?
- A. Here in the Nation.
- Q. Never lived any where else? A. No sir.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your husband a State man? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Any young ones at home? A. No sir.
- Q. No one to enroll but yourself? A. No sir.
- Q. Want to enroll James Welsh? Yes sir.
- Q. Who was his mother? A. Angelina Welsh.
- Q. Who does he live with? A. Lives with me.
- Q. Where is his father? A. Hackett City, Ark.
- Q. How old is Jimmy?
- A. About ten or twelve years old.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above-named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. B. Brown

Choc. Fr. 1142

Melvina Washington

Fr. 1142

BERNEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

MOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

MELVINA WASHINGTON, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Melvina Washington.
- Q. How old are you? A. Thirty five (35).
- Q. Were you born a slave? A. No sir.
- Q. What is your mothers name? A. Nancy Chuckmahbee.
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Isaac Chuckmahbee.
- Q. Where have you been living all your life?
- A. Here in Blue County.
- Q. Always lived in the Territory? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What was your name before you married?
- A. Melvina Batise.
- Q. What county do you live in now?
- A. Tebuckay.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Cravens

Choc. Fr. 1143

Mary Ann Eastman

Fr. 1143

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

MARY ANN EASTMAN, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Mary Ann Eastman.
Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.
Q. Who did you belong to? A. G. Ainsworth.
Q. Where were you turned free? A. Oaklodge.
Q. Where have you been living since you were turned free?
A. Oaklodge and here.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Chaveus

Choc. Fr. 1144

Milly Mills

Fr. 1144

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7th, 1899.

MILLY MILLS, being sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name?

A. Milly Mills.

Q. What was your name before you were married?

A. Millie Butler.

Q. How old are you?

A. Twenty-five (25).

Q. Who is your mother?

A. Mary Eastman.

Q. Who did she belong to?

A. The Ainsworths.

Q. Have you always lived here in the Territory?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a State man?

A. Yes sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as
agent to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.

R. R. Craven

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Dayton Mills
as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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[Signature]
Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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[Signature]
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Clayton Mills, born on the 9 day of March, 1901
 (Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father: Frank Mills a citizen of the U.S. of America Nation.
 Name of Mother: Milie Ann Mills a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-office So. Mclester, Ind. Ter.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
 INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

I, Milie Ann Mills, on oath state that I am 27
 years of age and a citizen, by Freedmen, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of Frank Mills, who is a citizen, by
Freedmen, of the U.S. of America Nation; that a male child was
 born to me on 9 day of March, 1901, that said child has been
 named Clayton Mills and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Leggie Fitzpatrick
Jas E. Chace

Milie Ann Mills
 mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of June, 1902
Leggie Fitzpatrick NOTARY PUBLIC
 My commission expires 4/29/1906.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
 INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District.

I, Lucinda Jones, a midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Milie Ann Mills, wife of Frank Mills
 on the 9 day of March, 1901, that there was born to her
 said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
 named Clayton Mills.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Leggie Fitzpatrick
Jas E. Chace

Lucinda Jones
 mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of June, 1902
Leggie Fitzpatrick NOTARY PUBLIC
 My commission expires 4/29/1906.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Jessie Mills

as a citizen of the

CHOCTAW.

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Jessie Mills, born on the 5 day of August, 1893
(Here insert name of child.)
 Name of Father: Frank Mills, a citizen of the U.S. of America Nation.
 Name of Mother: Millie Mills, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
 Post-Office: South McAlester, Ind. Ter.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, } Mother is dead. Died Aug. 10th 1902.
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District. }

I, Frank Mills, on oath state that I am 34
 years of age and a citizen, by freedman husband, of the U.S. of America Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of Millie Mills, deceased, who is a citizen, by
freedman her, of the Choctaw Nation, that a girl child was
(Male or female.)
 born to me on the 5th day of August, 1893, 190; that said child has been
 named Jessie Mills, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22nd day of December, 1902.

W. C. H. Smith
 My commission expires May 29, 1906.

Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }
State of Arkansas
County of Sebastian District.

I, Mag Johnson, a midwife, on oath state that I
 attended on Mrs. Millie Mills, wife of Frank Mills
 on the 5 day of August, 1893, 190; that there was born to her on said
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(Male or female.)
 named Jessie Mills.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13 day of Dec., 1902.

L. H. H. Smith
Just. of the Peace

State of Arkansas ,

County of Sebastian

I, T. N. Reed County Clerk in and for the County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that Luther Hopkins is a duly elected and qualified Justice of the Peace of said County, that his commission is dated October 31st, 1902 and will expire October 31st, 1904. and that his official ^{acts} are entitled to full faith and credit.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office this 16th day of December, 1902.

J. N. Reed County Clerk.

By John N. Reed D. C.

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IN RE
THE DEATH OF

Willy Smith
a citizen of the

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved *DEC 21 1902* 1902

[Signature]
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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[Signature]

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Milly Mills
(Here insert name of deceased.)
freeman Choctaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near
South McAlester, Ind. Ter., and died on the 10 day of
August, 1902.
(Here insert name of post office.)

AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY.
Central District.

I, Mary Ann Eastman, on oath state that I am 45
years of age and a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;
that my post office address is South McAlester, Ind. Ter.; that I am
Mother of Milly Mills,
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.)
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;
and that said Milly Mills died on the 10 day of
August, 1902.
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO NAME:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Fred Kinkade
N. B. Clineworth

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of December 1902

J. C. Humphrey
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY.
Central District.

I, Anderson Meadows, on oath state that I am 30
years of age, and a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;
that my post office address is South McAlester, Ind. Ter.;
that I was personally acquainted with Milly Mills,
(Here insert name of deceased.)
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;
and that said Milly Mills died on the 10 day of
August, 1902.
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO NAME:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of December 1902

J. C. Humphrey
Notary Public.

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Wichita, Indian Territory, October 18, 1903.

Milly Mills,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Jessie Mills, daughter of Frank and Milly Mills, has been filed with the Commission. There is inclosed herewith a blank application for enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of your daughter, Jessie Mills, as a Choctaw Freedman until the proof of her birth has been furnished.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Rev.
B.C.

Acting Chairman.

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Wamego, Indian Territory, November 24, 1902.

Valle Mills,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In compliance with your request of November 20, 1902, there is enclosed herewith a blank application for the enrollment of an infant child.

In having same executed, be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in event either of the persons whose names are to be affixed to the affidavit are unable to write, and their signatures are by mark, such signatures must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

The notary public before whom the same are acknowledged must affix his notarial seal and seal to each separate affidavit.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

S.C.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 29, 1902.

Willy Mills,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Jessie Mills, infant daughter of Frank and Willy Mills, born August 5, 1898; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 5, 1904.

W. V. Williamson,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 4, asking if Milly Mills, Margaret Mills, James Mills, Jessie Mills and Clayton Mills are enrolled as Choctaw Indians or freedmen.

In answer to your letter you are advised that Margaret, Jimmy, Jessie and Clayton Mills have been enrolled by the commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It appears from our records that Milly Mills died August 10, 1902, prior to the ratification by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, on September 25, 1902, of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, and her name has not, therefore, been placed upon the final rolls of Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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J. L. Cole

Fr. 1145

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT 7th, 1899.

J. L. COLLE, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. J. L. Cole.
- Q. How old are you? A. Forty-seven (47) .
- Q. Who did you belong to? A. The Pichehlyms.
- Q. Where were you when you were turned free?
- A. In Eagle County.
- Q. Where have you lived since?
- A. Here in the Territory.
- Q. Always lived in the Territory?
- A. Yes sir.
- Q. Did not get over into Arkansas?
- A. No sir.
- Q. What county did you register in? A. Scullyville.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Crowder

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My affidavit

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Bessie May Cole
as a Freedman

Child as a ... Nation.

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Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the freeman Choctaw Nation,
of Bessie May Cole, born on the 4 day of May, 1897
(Here insert name of child.)
Name of Father: J. L. Cole a citizen of the freeman Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Leelin Cole a citizen of the freeman Choctaw Nation.
Post-office Carvin, Ia.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY
District.

I, _____, on oath state that I am _____
years of age and a citizen, by _____, of the _____ Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of _____, who is a citizen, by
_____ of the _____ Nation; that a _____ child was
(male or female.)
born to me on _____ day of _____ 1897; that said child has been
named _____, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____ 1902

NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District,

I, J. L. Cole, a midwife on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Leelin Cole, wife of J. L. Cole
on the 4 day of May, 1897 that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female.)
named Bessie May Cole

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of December, 1902

J. C. Humphrey
NOTARY PUBLIC

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Bessie May Cook
as a citizen of

Choctaw
Choctaw Nation.

Approved DEC 23 1902. 190...

Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE U. S. CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Fredman Choctaw Nation,
of Bessie May Cole, born on the 4 day of May, 1897
(Here insert name of child.)
Name of Father: J. L. Cole a citizen of the Fredman Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Dee Lie Cole a citizen of the U. S. Nation.
Post-office Carbon 29

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
District.

I, _____, on oath state that I am _____
years of age and a citizen, by _____, of the _____ Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of _____, who is a citizen, by
_____, of the _____ Nation; that a _____ child was
(male or female.)
born to me on _____ day of _____, 1897; that said child has been
named _____, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this _____ day of _____, 1897.

NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
Central District,

I, Mary Cole, a _____, on oath state that I
knew Mrs. Dee Lie Cole, wife of J. L. Cole
on the 4 day of May, 1897, that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female.)
named Bessie May Cole and that said child is now
living with her father and has devoted child's husband

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of Dec, 1897.J. L. Humphrey
NOTARY PUBLIC

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,)

INDIAN TERRITORY,)

Central DISTRICT.)

I, J. L. Cole on oath state
that I am 49 years of age; and am personally acquainted
with Tealie Cole, and know that on the 4th day of May, 1897, there
was born to her a female child; that said child is now living and
said to have been named Bessie May Cole.

J. L. Cole

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of

Jan'y 1903.

Frank L. M. [unclear]
Notary Public

Witnesses
Simon W. Lewis
Jarvis x Bryson
C. W. Blackwell et al

This is to Certify
that on the 13. day
of August 1895
I do duly and Accord
ing to Law solemnly
the Act of Matrimony
between J. S. Cole
of Brazil I. T. and
Miss Felie Cahill
of Brazil I. T.
Witness my hand and
Seal the 13. day of August
1895. H. A. Knight
A Minister of
the Gospel

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United States of America, }

Indian Territory, }

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Central District)

Mrs. Lursey E. Humphrey being first duly sworn on oath states that she is fully of age and resides at La McAlester Indian Territory; that she is personally acquainted with Tealie Cole the wife of J. L. Cole; that affiant knows of her own knowledge that the said Tealie Cole deserted the said J. L. Cole on or about the 8th day of

July 1897. Affiant further says that on the 4th day of May 1897 there was born to the said Tealie Cole a female

child; that said child was living on September 25, 1902 and

was named Bessie May Cole; that at the date of the birth of

said child the said J. L. Cole and said Tealie Cole were liv-

ing together as husband and wife. Affiant further states

that she is a white woman, of no kind, and has no interest in this matter.

Lursey E. Humphrey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of April 1903.

R. H. Foster

Notary Public.

My Commission expires February 28th 1907

United States of America,)
Indian Territory,) S S
Central District)

Amie Hampton being first duly sworn
on oath states that she is 18 years of age and resides at
So. McAlester Indian Territory; that she is personally
acquainted with Teelie Cole the wife of J. L. Cole; that af-
fiant knows of known knowledge that the said Teelie Cole
deserted the said J. L. Cole on or about the 4th day of
July 1897. Affiant further says that on the 4th day
of May 1897 there was born to the said Teelie Cole a female
child; that said child was living on September 25, 1902 and
was named Bessie May Cole; that at the date of the birth of
said child the said J. L. Cole and said Teelie Cole were liv-
ing together as husband and wife. Affiant further states
that she is not of kindred to J. L. Cole, and has
interest in the matter

Amie Hampton

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of April 1905.

R. H. Tarter

Notary Public.

United States of America. †
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Central District. † SS
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Indian Territory. †

J. L. Cole, being first duly sworn, on oath states, that he is fifty-one years of age, and the father of Bessie May Cole. That he is unable to procure the affidavit of the mother of his said child as to its identity, birth, etc. because she is a non-resident of the Indian Territory, and her whereabouts are to him unknown.

J. L. Cole
R. H. Jenter a Notary
Subscribed and sworn to before me Public, in and for said District and Territory, this 25 day of April
_____ A. D. 1905.

R. H. Jenter Notary Public.

In the matter of the
application for the en-
rollment of Jesse
May Cole as a
Choctaw freedman

Approved:



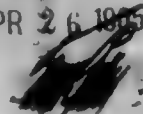
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application was made for
the enrollment of this child
December 29, 1912

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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CHAIRMAN

Choctaw Freedman
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APR 26 1905

17-1145.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 5, 1903.

J.L. Cole,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It appears from our records that on December 23, 1902, application was made for the enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Bessie May Cole, infant daughter of J.L. and Tealie Cole, born May 4, 1897; at which time affidavits of J.L. Cole and Mary Cole relative to the birth of the child were submitted.

Under date of January 8, 1903, you were requested to furnish the Commission with the affidavit of a disinterested person who knew of the birth of your child and the fact that it was still living, in lieu of the affidavit of the mother, and a blank for such purpose was enclosed you.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit relative to the birth of this child, but you are advised that this does not comply with our request, and another blank affidavit has been prepared and is enclosed you herewith, which must be executed by a disinterested party and returned to this Commission at your earliest convenience.

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You are further advised that the mother of the child, being a non-citizen, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commissioner with either your original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, as other legal evidence of your marriage.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

T. B. Needles

Commissioner in Charge.

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15-1148.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1903.

J. L. Cole,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

On February 8, 1903, the Commission acknowledged receipt of your affidavit as to the birth of your daughter, Bessie May Cole, infant daughter of J. L. and Tealie Cole, born May 4, 1899. The Commission then advised you that said affidavit was insufficient for the reason that it was not the affidavit of a disinterested party, the mother of the child being dead. You were requested to furnish the affidavits of two disinterested parties, who knew of the birth of said child and that it was still living, and to such request no response has been received.

You were also requested to furnish evidence of your marriage to the mother of this child, said mother being a non-citizen, and you also failed to comply with that request.

You are hereby advised that it will be necessary for you to furnish affidavits of two disinterested parties who knew of the birth of Bessie May Cole and that she is still alive, and also evidence of your marriage to the mother of this child, which evidence of marriage may consist either of your original marriage

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certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two
eye-witnesses to the marriage; and that until such evidence is
received by the Commission nothing further can be done in the
matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Freedman of the
Chester Station.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamm Birby*
Chairman.

17-1145.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 23, 1905.

J. L. Cole,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Bessie May Cole as a Choctaw Freedman, it is necessary that you furnish the Commission with proof of your marriage to the mother of said child; this may consist of the original marriage license and certificate, a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two disinterested persons who were eye-witnesses to the marriage.

You should also furnish an affidavit of the mother as to the birth of the child. If, however, for any reason this can not be secured you should furnish your own affidavit setting forth the reason you are unable to secure the same. Enclosed you will find blank form of proof of birth for the mother of Bessie May Cole to sign. Be sure that all blank spaces are filled, and that the Notary Public before whom the affidavits are executed attaches his seal to each separate affidavit. In the event the affiants sign by mark their names must be attested by two disinterested persons who can write.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tame Bixby.*

Chairman.

17-1145.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 24, 1905.

J. L. Cole,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Bessie May Cole as a Choctaw Freedman, you were advised by letters dated January 8th and February 5th, 1903, that before said application could be disposed of, it would be necessary to furnish proof of the birth of the said Bessie May Cole, and that she was still living on September 25, 1902; also proof of your marriage to Tealie Cole, mother of said child. You have failed to furnish such proof as requested.

You are again advised that it will be necessary that proof of the birth of said child and proof of your marriage to Tealie Cole, mother of said child, be furnished. Proof of your marriage may consist either of your original marriage license and certificate, a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two disinterested parties who were eye-witnesses to your marriage to Tealie Cole. Blank affidavits are enclosed you, herewith, for the purpose of making proper proof of the birth of said Bessie May Cole, which must be executed by two disinterested parties who know of their own knowledge that Bessie May Cole is your child, giving the date of birth of said child and that she was still living on

September 30, 1906, and returned to this Commission.

You are further advised that the evidence in the possession of the Commission is not sufficient to establish the right of this child to enrollment. Unless, however, the additional evidence above requested is furnished within fifteen days from the date of this letter the application will be decided upon the record as it now stands.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Fannie Darby*

Chairman

17-1145

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 19, 1905.

J. L. Cole,

Box 15,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 10, 1905, in which you state that the witnesses by whom you desire to prove the facts in regard to the birth of Essie May Cole live so far apart that you have been unable to see them and you therefore ask for fifteen days additional time in which to procure evidence of her birth.

In reply to your letter you are informed that you will be allowed fifteen days from this date in which to introduce such evidence as you may desire in the matter of the application for the enrollment of Essie May Cole as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tams Bixby.*

Chairman.

Chester Freeman
1148.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 1, 1908.

J. L. Cole,

Box 18,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the certificate of
H. A. Knight to the marriage between J. L. Cole and Fannie Cahill
August 13, 1898, also the affidavits of Quincy E. Humphrey and
Annie Hampton and J. L. Cole to the birth of Bessie May Cole,
child of J. L. and Fannie Cole, May 4, 1897, and the same have
been filed with our records in the matter of the enrollment of
said child.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Fannie Bixby.*

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1146
Jackson Riddle

Fr. 1146

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY,
MARCH 29, 1904.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of
Jackson Riddle as a Choctaw freedman.

Said Jackson Riddle, being first duly sworn, testified as
follows. Examined through sworn, interpreter, Willie Wallace.

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION

- Q What is your name? A Jackson Riddle.
Q Have you ever been known as Jack Riddle? A Well, they called him
Jack Riddle and then Jackson.
Q What is your post-office address? A Quinton.
Q Is Jackson his right name? A Yes, sir.
Q How old are you? A About sixty.
Q Where were you born? A Born right in the Choctaw Nation.
Q You were born in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
Q What is your mother's name? A Well, he don't remember much -- well
he was a little fellow when his mother died. He thinks her name was
Daisy.
Q Was Daisy a slave? A Yes, sir.
Q To whom did she belong? A Slave of William Cooper's wife.
Q Was she a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A Choctaw.
Q Now what is your father's name? A Bob Carney is the English name.
Q Is Bob Carney dead? A Yes, sir.
Q Was he a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir, full blood Choctaw.
Q Were you a slave? A Yes, sir.
Q To whom did you belong? A Mrs. Cooper raised him till he was grown
and sold him to Jerry Riddle.
Q Do you remember the war between the north and the south? A Yes,
sir.
Q Where were you living during that war? A Lived in the east from
McAlester about two miles.
Q In the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, in the Choctaw Nation.
Q At the time of the war? A Yes, sir.
Q Were you living in the Choctaw Nation when the war broke out?
A Yes, sir.
Q Were you living in the Choctaw Nation when the war ended? A Yes,
sir.
Q Do you remember the treaty at Fort Smith? A Yes, sir.
Q Where were you living then? Were you living in the Choctaw Nation?
A Yes, sir.
Q Now, since the war, where have you been living? A In the same
place, Choctaw Nation.
Q Since you were born, up to the present time, have you lived in any
place except the Choctaw Nation? A No, sir.

- Q You have never lived anywhere else? A No, sir.
- Q Was your master, Jerry Riddle, a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir.
- Q Was Mrs. Cooper a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir.
- Q Are you married? A Yes, but she died -- his wife.
- Q How many times have you been married? A Twice.
- Q What was the name of your first wife? A Hokmer.
- Q Was she an Indian? A Yes, sir.
- Q Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir.
- Q When did you marry her? A He don't remember.
- Q Did you have any children by Hokmer? A Yes, sir.
- Q What were their names? A Coleman Riddle, Mary Riddle, Emily and Fannie. That is all.
- Q After your first wife died, did you marry again? A Yes, sir.
- Q Whom did you marry the second time? A He married Susan.
- Q Was she a Choctaw Indian or was she a freedman? A Choctaw.
- Q What was her other name? A I think it was Susan Billy.
- Q Who was Susan's father and mother? A Loston Billy and Hokmer.
- Q Was his second wife related to his first wife? A When his first wife died, he married his stepdaughter.
- Q Susan was a daughter of Hokmer, his first wife? A Yes, sir, own daughter.
- Q Your first wife was a widow when you married her, wasn't she? A Yes, sir.
- Q And she had a child which you afterwards married? A Yes, sir.
- Q Where is Coleman living? A In the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Is Coleman married? A Yes, sir.
- Q What is his wife's name? A Nancy.
- Q Have they got any children? A Yes, sir.
- Q How old is Coleman Riddle now? A He don't know exactly how old -- little over thirty years old.
- Q Over thirty? A Yes, sir.
- Q What was Coleman's wife's name before she was married? A Byington, Nancy Byington.
- Q Didn't he ever live with Lina? A Yes.
- Q How many times was Coleman married? A Twice.
- Q And his first wife is called Lina? A Yes, sir.
- Q And his second wife was Nancy Byington? A Yes, sir.
- Q What town is Coleman living in now? A Close to Quinton, in the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Has he got a small child? A Yes.
- Q What is this child's name? A I think it is Lou Riddle.
- Q Has he got a child about two years old, a little girl? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you know what the name of that child is? A I think it is Susan Riddle.
- Q Do you know who is the father and mother of Nancy Byington, Coleman's second wife? A No, sir, I don't know.
- Q Is she a full blood, Coleman's wife Nancy? A I think so.
- Q You don't know whether she is a Choctaw or a Chickasaw? A I think she is a Chickasaw. That is what she said.
- Q Has Coleman got a child about three years old? A Yes, sir.
- Q What is that child's name? A Lou or Lucinda.
- Q Wasn't that child born before Coleman and Nancy were married? A Yes.
- Q Sure about that? A Yes, sir, sure.
- Q How long has Coleman been married to Nancy? I cannot make any answer for that.
- Q You really don't know when they were married, do you? A No, sir.

Coleman Riddle, son of the applicant, is identified on Choctaw card, field number 4723, number 13066 on final roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, approved by the Secretary of the Interior on March 19, 1903.

- Q Are Coleman and Nancy living together as husband and wife now?
 A Yes, sir.
 Q How long, a few years? A I don't know.
 Q About how long, three, four or five years, something like that?
 A Yes, sir, cannot tell exactly.
 Q What is Mary Riddle's other name? Is she married? A Yes, sir.
 Q To whom? A Sexton, Jimmy Sexton. He is dead though.
 Q How long since he died? A Ask anything of that kind and he don't know nothing about it himself.
 Q Has Mary appeared before the Commission? A Yes, sir.
 Q Has Mary got any children? A Yes, sir.
 Q What are their names, do you know? A Dave Sexton, Cora Sexton, Gilbert Sexton and Classie Sexton.

Willie Wallace, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION.

- Q You are a Choctaw by blood? A Yes, sir.
 Q Full blood? A Yes, sir.
 Q Are you on the rolls? A Yes, sir.
 Q Do you know Jackson Riddle? A Yes, sir.
 Q How long have you known him? A I think about in 1869.
 Q Where did you first get acquainted with him? A Right in there when he lived in the Choctaw Nation.
 Q Have you known him ever since then? A Yes, sir.
 Q Has he lived in the Choctaw Nation since you first knew him?
 A Yes, sir.
 Q Do you know anything at all about him being a slave? A No, sir.
 Q Is he considered in the community where he lives as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes, sir.
 Q Do the people all say he is a Choctaw freedman? A Yes, sir. He was a Choctaw freedman, too.
 Q What is his reputation for truth? Would you believe him under oath? A Yes, sir.
 Q A pretty straight fellow, is he? A Yes, sir.
 Q A man you can trust? A Yes, sir.
 Q Did you know Jerry Riddle, his former master? A Yes, sir.
 Q Was he a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir.
 Q You knew him? A Yes, sir, he was a member of the Council as a Choctaw Indian.
 Q Were you a member of the Council? A No, sir, never held office at all.
 Q Did you know William Cooper's wife? A Yes, sir.
 Q Was she a Choctaw? A Yes, sir.
 Q Was William Cooper a Choctaw? A I don't think he was a full blood. He was adopted.
 Q His wife was a Choctaw? A Yes, sir, full blood.

Witness is identified on Choctaw card, field number 2662.

The applicant, Jackson Riddle, recalled, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION.

- Q What is the next child after Mary? A Emily.
 Q What is her husband's name? A Harris.
 Q What is he? A He is a freedman.
 Q Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Choctaw.
 Q What is Harris' first name? A He thinks it is Battiest.
 Q Has Emily got any children? A Yes, sir.
 Q What are their names? A Dan Harris. He is a boy and she has got two more.

Five children of the applicant are identified upon Choctaw card, field number 4614 and all of them are on the final roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, except one, who is dead.

- Q Did you ever get any money from the Choctaw Nation? A No, sir.
 Q You didn't get the one hundred dollars? A No, sir. But my children got money.
 Q They got it because they were Indians? A Yes.
 Q You, as a freedman, didn't get any money, away back? A No, sir.
 Q Do you live anywhere near your son, Coleman? A Yes, sir, close by.
 Q Has your daughter, Emily, got a child called Rose? A I don't know. She has got two more besides Dan.
 Q Your daughter, Mary's husband is dead, isn't he? A Yes, sir.
 Q Do you know how they happened to put down in this affidavit to the birth of Susan -- to put Coleman Riddle down as a Choctaw freedman? A No, sir, I don't know.

Willie Wallace, being recalled, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION.

- Q You know Coleman Riddle, do you? A Yes, sir.
 Q Was he ever known as a Choctaw freedman? A No, sir. He never was. He is a Choctaw Indian.

Wirt Franklin, being first duly sworn, states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported all proceedings had in the above entitled cause, at Muskogee, Indian Territory, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes, taken in said cause.

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at said place on March 29, 1904.

Wm. Franklin

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of April,
1904.

Charles A. Sawyer
Notary Public.

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INDIAN TERRITORY)
(88
WESTERN DISTRICT)

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED
TRIBES.

My name is Simpson Colbert, and I am forty-seven years of age and a duly enrolled Choctaw citizen by blood and reside near Quinton, Indian Territory and have lived in Sans Bois County all my life. Affiant states that he is acquainted with Jack Riddle, a Choctaw Freedman, and has known him all his life. I knew him as a slave of Jerry Riddle. Affiant states that Jack Riddle is a choctaw freedman, and is entitled to all the rights and privileges of such freedmen; that Jack Riddle has lived here continuously in the Choctaw Nation since his freedom; that he has voted at all elections and has exercised all the rights exercised by freedmen, has held land and is now holding improvements in Sans Bois County, and in fact, as before stated, his rights have never been questioned by the tribal authorities.

Simpson Colbert

Subscribed and sworn to before me this March 7, 1904.

R. F. Jester

Notary Public.

My Commission expires March 3, 1907.

INDIAN TERRITORY)
(SS
WESTERN DISTRICT)

BEFORE THE HONORABLE COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED
TRIBES.

My name is Israel Cooper, and I am fifty-two years of age and a Choctaw Citizen by blood, and reside near Kinta, Indian Territory, and have lived in this vicinity all my life. Affiant states that he is acquainted with Jack Riddle, a Choctaw Freedman, and has known him all of his life; that this affiant's mother owned Jack Riddle before the war, and that she gave Jack Riddle, as a slave, to this affiant's half-brother, Jerry Riddle who owned him until the slaves were freed by the President's emancipation Proclamation. Affiant states that Jack Riddle is a choctaw freedman, and is entitled to all the rights and privileges of such freedmen; that Jack Riddle has lived here continuously in the Choctaw Nation since his freedom; that he has voted at all elections and has exercised all the rights exercised by freedmen, has held land and is now holding improvements in Sans Bois County, and in fact, as before stated, his rights have never been questioned by the tribal authorities.

Israel Cooper

Subscribed and sworn to before me this March 7, 1904.

[Signature]

Notary Public.

My Commission expires March 3, 1907.

Choctaw 4614
Choctaw Freedman
1146

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 27, 1904.

Honorable Green McCurtain,
Kintah, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 22, relative to the enrollment of Jack Riddle, a Choctaw freedman, and his children by a Choctaw woman who were admitted as citizens by blood. You state that the Land Office would not permit the said Riddle to select allotments for his children nor for himself, advising him that he was not enrolled. You further state that there is no question as to the citizenship of Riddle as you have known him for a long time.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Cephus, Gillin and Georgian Riddle, children of Jack Riddle and Hokmer, deceased, have been enrolled by the Commission as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior. Two other children of Jack Riddle have been enrolled and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, but they are over twenty one years of age, and therefore competent to select allotments in their own behalf.

Relative to the enrollment of Jackson Riddle as a Choctaw

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freedman, you are advised that the said Jackson Riddle has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but there is no testimony of record in this case, and it is suggested that Jackson Riddle appear before the Commission at its office in Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the purpose of testifying relative to his right to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, at which time he may introduce such evidence as he desires to submit in support of his case.

In connection with the selection of allotments for the minor children of Jackson Riddle, your attention is invited to section eight of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Rules for allotment.

Choctaw Freedman
1146

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 15, 1904.

Jack Riddle,

Care Calvin Lewis,

Quinton, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 9, asking if you are approved by the Department as a Choctaw freedman.

In reply you are advised that before the Commission can determine your right to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman it will be necessary for you to appear at its office in Muskogee, Indian Territory, to testify relative to your right to such enrollment. This matter should receive your early attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Chectaw F 1143

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 16, 1904.

Jack Riddle,
Quinton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 11, asking if your name has been approved in order that you may file on your land.

In reply to your letter you are informed that your name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. It is suggested that you communicate with the Commission within sixty or ninety days when you will be advised if your enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choc. Fr. 1147

Louis Green

Fr. 1147

COPY

THIS CERTIFIES

THAT

Mr. Lewis James and Miss Waley Ashton were united in
Marriage at Alberson, I. Ter. according to the Laws of the
Indian Territory, by Rev. C. W. Watkins on the _____
day of Sept. 30, 1895.

C. W. Watkins,
A Minister

Witness my hand

A. Eubank

Fannie Eubank.

Original returned
to Lewis Green,
Quinton, Okla. on
May 21-1908.

L. G. G.

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT. 7", 1899.

LOUIS GREEN, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Louis Green.
- Q. What was your mothers name? A. Ann Shoat.
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. Celina Davis.
- Q. Where have you been living all the time?
A. McAlester.
- Q. All you life?
A. Nearly all my life., always in the Territory.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your wife a Citizen? A. No sir.
- Q. Have you any children?
A. Yes sir, have two (2)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

*I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
stenographer to above named Commission, that this
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of
my stenographic notes.*

R. B. Crumley

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of
INFANT CHILD*Mabel Green*

as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

SEP 10 1899

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Commissioner.*proof of birth of child
filed for enrollment Sept 7, 1899*DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.
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J. CHAPMAN.*File with*

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of May Bell Green, born on the 14th day of Sept., 1897.
Name of Father: Lewis Green a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: May Green a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Postoffice Quinton, D.C.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,

Western DISTRICT.

I, Mary Green, on oath state that I am 25
years of age and a citizen, by freedman of the Choctaw Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Lewis Green, who is a citizen, by
freedman of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was
(Male or Female.)
born to me on 14th day of Sept., 1897; that said child has been named
May Bell Green, and is now living. her

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.) { Wm. M. Clintock
H. D. Gantson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of

Sept 1904
July A. Long
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,

Western DISTRICT.

I, Ann Shoat, a woman, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Mary Green, wife of Lewis Green
on the 14th day of Sept., 1897, that there was born to her on said date a female
(Male or Female.)
child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named May Bell Green
her

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.) { Wm. M. Clintock
H. D. Gantson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of

Sept 1904
July A. Long
Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

AN INFANT CHILD

~~Marion~~ or *Clarence Green*

as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

~~SE~~

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child listed
for enrollment Sept 9 1899*DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,

FILED

~~CHAMBERLAIN~~*File with*

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

*17-1147**Encl B. A.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
 of Clarence Green born on the 1st day of Sept. 1899
 (Here insert name of child)
 Name of Father: Lewis Green Freedman Choctaw Nation.
 Name of Mother: Mary Green Freedwoman Choctaw Nation.
 Post-office Quinton, IT.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER:

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Western District.

I, Mary Green, on oath state that I am 25
 years of age and a citizen, by Freedwoman, of the Choctaw Nation;
 that I am the lawful wife of Lewis Green, who is a citizen, by
Freedman of the Choctaw Nation; that a male child was
 (Male or female)
 born to me on the 1st day of Sept. 1899 that said child has been named
Clarence Green and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of Sept. 1904

NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Western District.

I, Ann Shost Freedwoman, on oath state that I at-
 tended on Mrs. Mary Green, wife of Lewis Green
 on the 1st day of Sept. 1899, that there was born to her on said
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named
 (Male or female)
Clarence Green

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of September 1904

NOTARY PUBLIC.

17-1147

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1908.

Louis Green,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the births of Mabel and Monroe Green, children of Louis and Mary Green, has been filed with the Commission. Two blank applications for enrollment of infant children are herewith inclosed. In having them executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affix his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as no further action can be taken relative to the final enrollment of your two children, Mabel and Monroe Green, as Cheataw freedmen until proof of their births has been furnished.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Rev.
S. B. C.

Acting Chairman.

17-1146.

Washburn, Indian Territory, January 8, 1908.

J.L. Cole,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the affidavit of yourself and that of Mary Cole relative to the birth of Sessie May Cole, minor daughter of J.L. and Mary Cole, May 4, 1897; you are informed that it will be necessary for you to furnish an additional affidavit of a disinterested party who knows of the birth of this child, and the fact that it is still living, in lieu of the affidavit of the mother, a blank for which purpose is herewith enclosed you.

In having same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in event the person whose name is to be affixed to the affidavit is unable to write, and the signature is by mark, such signature must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

The notary public before whom the same is acknowledged must affix his notarial jurat and seal to the affidavit.

Please give this matter prompt attention.

Respectfully,

W. J. H.

Acting Registrar

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SECRETARY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

17-1147.

ADDRESS ONLY THE
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 11, 1903.

Louis Green,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your children, Mabel and Monroe Green, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear from the records of this office that affidavits as to the births of these children have been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the two enclosed blank affidavits.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as until these affidavits are received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of these children as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

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Env.

Chairman.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, September 16, 1904.

Lewis Green,

Quinton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th instant, returning blank applications for the enrollment of two infant children, which was forwarded to you by our letter of August 29, 1904, stating that you do not need the same. You also state that you desire to file for your two minor children, Mary Bell and Clarence Green, also for your wife, who are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

You are informed that it appears from our records that your wife, Mary Green, is a non-citizen.

You are further informed that your two minor children, Mabel and Monroe (or Clarence) Green, are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but before the application for their enrollment can receive further consideration it will be necessary that you furnish the Commission with evidence of birth of said children, for which purpose, blank applications for the enrollment of infant children, are enclosed you herewith. It is important that such evidence of birth be forwarded to this office with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 28, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,
Choctaw Land Office,
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby advised that the following notations have this day been placed upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card number 1147 Louis Green et al.

"No. 2 born Feb'y. 14, 1897, proof of birth filed Sept. 28, 1904.

"No. 3 born Sept. 1, 1899, proof of birth filed Sept. 28, 1904".

You are therefore requested to place like notations upon the duplicate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 29, 1901.

Lewis Green,

Wintan, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Mary Green and Ann Shoat relative to the birth of your minor daughter May Bell Green February 14, 1897. Receipt is also acknowledged of the affidavits of Mary Green and Ann Shoat relative to the birth of your minor son Clarence Green September 1, 1899 and the same being in proper form have been filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said children.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 27, 1906.

Louis Green,

Care of Guy A. Curry,

Quinton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 20, 1906, in which you ask the status of the enrollment of your wife Mary Green and your children May Bell and Clarence or Monroe Green.

In reply to your letter you are informed that Mabel and Clarence Green, children of Louis and Mary Green have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such was approved by the Secretary of the Interior November 16, 1904.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears ~~that Mary Green is not a Choctaw freedman~~ and that no application has been made for her enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1147

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 31, 1906.

Guy A. Curry,

Quinton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 24, 1906, in which you ask, as attorney for Mary Green, wife of Lewis Green, a Choctaw freedman, to be advised if an application can now be entertained for the enrollment of said Mary Green as a Choctaw freedman; you state that on December 12, 1904, you were advised by this office that the records did not show that any application had been made for the enrollment of this person and you are now ready to furnish further evidence and wish to be advised if this office is authorized to receive the same under the act of Congress approved April 26, 1906.

In reply to your letter you are advised that at the time Lewis Green appeared before the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at South McAlester September 7, 1899, he testified that his wife was a non citizen and it does not appear that application has been made for her enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. You are informed however, that if you desire to contend that the letter addressed by you to this office in December 1904, constituted an application for her enrollment under the act of Congress approved April 26,

G. A. G. M.

1906, you will be heard upon your appearance at this office accompanied by the applicant, notice of the time of such appearance being first served upon the attorneys for the Cherokee and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Choc. Fr. 1148

Cornelius W. Blackwater

Fr. 1148

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

SOUTH McALESTER, I. T., SEPT 7", 1899.

CORNELIUS BLACKWATER, being sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Cornelius Blackwater.
- Q. How old are you? A. Twenty-six (26).
- Q. What was your mother's name? A. Amie Blackwater.
- Q. Who did she belong to? A. The McCurtains.
- Q. Where have you been living all the time?
- A. Right here in this Nation.
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your wife a Citizen?
- A. Yes sir, but she has not proved up her rights.
- Q. What was your wife's name before you married her?
- A. Annie Wright.
- Q. Have you any children?
- A. No sir.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

R. R. Freeman

Indian Territory

Central District.

J. J. Lester being first duly sworn says;

My name is J. J. Lester. Am a minister of the gospel. I performed the marriage ceremony of C. W. Blackwater and Addie Thomas, uniting them in marriage on the 24th day of September 1898.

I know that Nealy Blackwater and the said C. W. Blackwater are one and the same person. Blackwater's name is Cornelius William and Cornelius was contracted to Nealy and he has been commonly known as Nealy. The Nealy Blackwater who is enrolled on the Choctaw Rolls is the C. W. Blackwater that I united in marriage as aforesaid. I am the J. J. Lester whose name appears on the marriage certificate.

J. J. Lester

Subscribed and sworn to before me this August 31 1901.

Brooks York

Notary Public.

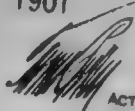
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*Affidavits as to correct
name of Cornelius Hackwater*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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SEP 4 1901



ACTING CHAIRMAN

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY,
CENTRAL DISTRICT,-----ss

On this 31st. day of August, 1901, before me, Brooks Fort, a Notary Public within and for the above named District, came Josie Moten, of South McAlester, I. T. of lawful age, who being by me first duly sworn deposes and says:-

My name is Josie Moten, I reside in South McAlester. I. T. I know Nealy Blackwater. I have known him eight years. I was present at his marriage with Addie Thomas. It was about three years ago. It was in September, I do not remember the day of the month.. I know that the Nealy Blackwater who is enrolled by that name on the Rolls of the Dawes Commission is one and the same person as the C. W. Blackwater whose name appears on the Marriage certificate of the marriage of C. W. Blackwater with Addie Thomas. And that the reason that the name of the said Nealy Blackwater appears in the record of his marriage as C. W. Blackwater is, because his name is Cornelius William and the name of Cornelius was, by custom shortened to Nealy, the name by which he is commonly known.

Josie Moten-----

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 31st. day of August, 1901,

Brooks Fort

Notary Public.

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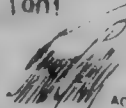
CERTIFICATE OF RECORD OF MARRIAGES

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }
THE INDIAN TERRITORY } SCT.
CENTRAL DISTRICT }

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

SEP 4 1901



ACTING CHAIRMAN

I, E. J. FANNIN, Clerk of the United States
Court in the Indian Territory and District aforesaid,
DO HEREBY CERTIFY that the License for and
Certificate of the Marriage of

Mr. *C. H. Blackwaters* and
Miss *Addie Thomas*

were filed in my office in said Territory and District

the *28* day of *Sept* A. D.
189*8* and duly recorded in Book *8* of

Marriage Record, Page *223*

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, at

So Mc Alester this *28*
day of *Sept* A. D. 189*8*

E. J. FANNIN, Clerk.

By

E. J. Fannin
Deputy.

10000-1000 PRINTING CO., POST OFFICE, ALA.

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MARRIAGE LICENSE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }
THE INDIAN TERRITORY } SS.
CENTRAL DISTRICT

To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriages---GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize
the Rite and publish the Bans of Matrimony between
Mr. C. M. Blackmon
of A. M. Calister in the Indian Territory, aged 25
years, and Mrs. Annie Thomas
of A. M. Calister in the Indian Territory, aged 35
years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this
License to the parties therein named.

WITNESS My hand and official seal, this 24 day of Sept. A. D. 1898

Clerk of the U. S. Court

Deputy

CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA }
INDIAN TERRITORY } SS.
CENTRAL DIST.

DO HEREBY CERTIFY That on the 24 day of September A. D. 1898
I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and publish the
Bans of MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 26 day of September A. D. 1898

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory,
Central District, Book 2 Page 289

NOTE—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory, from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Lucy Ann Backwater

as a citizen of

Choctaw Nation.

Approved. SEP - 4 1901 190...

C. R. Buckner.

Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Luey Ann Blackwater, born on the 9th day of January, 1900
(Here insert name of child)
Name of Father: Nealy Blackwater, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Addie Blackwater, a citizen of the non Nation.
Post-office, South McClellens.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, }
District.

I, Addie Blackwater, on oath state that I am 37
non years of age and a citizen, by of the non Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Nealy Blackwater, who is a citizen, by
blood of the Choctaw Nation, that a female child was
(male or female)
born to me on the 9th day of January, 1900; that said child has been
named Luey Ann Blackwater and is now living.
Addie Blackwater

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30th

day of

Aug

1900.

Brooks Zerk
NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, }
District.

I, Lucinda Jones, a midwife, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Addie Blackwater, wife of Nealy Blackwater,
on the 9th day of January, 1900, that there was born to her on
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female)
named Luey Ann Blackwater. Her
Lucinda Jones

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30

day of

Aug

1900.

Brooks Zerk
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Jessie Bearwater

as a citizen of

Choctaw Nation.

Approved, SEP - 4 1901 1901
C. R. Beckwith
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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SEP 4 1901

 ACTING CHAIRMAN

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,
of Jessie Blackwater, born on the 31 day of March, 1901
(Here insert name of child)
Name of Father: Nealy Blackwater, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Name of Mother: Addie Blackwater, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.
Post-office, South McAlester

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Addie Blackwater, on oath state that I am 37
years of age and a man citizen, of the Choctaw Nation;
that I am the lawful wife of Nealy Blackwater, who is a citizen, by
blood of the Choctaw Nation, that a male child was
(male or female.)
born to me on the 31 day of March, 1901; that said child has been
named Jessie Blackwater and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of Aug, 1901.

Brooks Fort
NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central District.

I, Lucinda Jones, a midwife, on oath state that I
attended on Mrs. Addie Blackwater, wife of Nealy Blackwater
on the 31 day of March, 1901; that there was born to her on
said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been
(male or female.)
named Jessie Blackwater.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of Aug, 1901.

Brooks Fort
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 6, 1901.

C. W. Blackwater,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 31st, enclosing marriage license and certificate of C. W. Blackwater and Mrs. Addie Thomas, affidavits as to your correct name, the application for the enrollment of Lucy Ann Blackwater, the infant daughter of Nealy and Addie Blackwater, born January 2, 1900, and the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Jessie Blackwater, the infant son of Nealy and Addie Blackwater, born March 31st, 1901.

The evidence of marriage enclosed in your letter has been duly filed with the records of this office. If at any time you desire a certified copy of this marriage license and certificate, you will be furnished with the same upon request.

The affidavits as to your correct name have also been duly filed with the records of this office.

The applications for the enrollment of your children, Lucy Ann Blackwater and Jessie Blackwater, being in proper form, have been duly filed and these children listed for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen.

Yours truly,

Choc. Fr. 1147

John McKinney

Fr. 1149

FREEDMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,
SOUTH McALESHER, I. T., SEPT 7th, 1892.

JOHN HENRY McKINNEY, being sworn, testified as follows:

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|--|-------------------------|
| Q. What is your name? | A. John Henry McKinney. |
| Q. How old are you? | A. Twenty-two (22). |
| Q. What was your mothers name? | A. Adeline McKinney. |
| Q. Was she a slave? | A. Yes sir. |
| Q. Who did she belong to? | A. Cornelius McCurtain. |
| Q. Where have you been living all your life? | |
| A. Scallyville County. | |
| Q. Always lived here in the Nation? | |
| A. Yes sir. | |
| Q. Never lived in Arkansas? | A. No sir. |
| Q. Are you married? | A. No sir. |

Department of the Interior,
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.
I hereby certify, upon my official oath as
Commissioner to these Indian Comanches, that this
photograph is a true, full and correct rendition of
the subject named.

R. R. Cramer

Choc. Fr. 1150

Rosa Burley

Fr. 1150

FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, I.T., Sept. 8, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Rosa Burley, said Burley being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him et al., testified:

My mother's name was Jennie Riddle and she belonged to Jack Riddle, a Choctaw. I have always lived in the Indian Territory.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

Frederick

Choc. Tr. 1151

Andrew Meadows

Fr. 1151

FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, I.T., Sept. 9, 1899.

I^u the matter of the enrollment of Andrew Meadows, said Meadows being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him et al.^s testified:

I am 36. My mother's name was Melissa Shoale. She belonged to George Shoale. I have been living all my life around Sculleyville and McAlester. I am a Choctaw.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

McDonald

17-1151

Muskegee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1907.

Martha Walker,

Pellars, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of January 8, 1907, addressed to the United States Indian Agent has been by him referred to this office for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you ask if you can have your child two years old, enrolled.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the time within which applications could be received for the enrollment of minor children of citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nation under the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, expired July 25, 1906, and since that time there is no authority for the reception of original applications.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Choc. Fr. 1152

Wesley McCoy

Fr. 1152

FREEDMEN.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,
South McAlester, Indian Ter.

In the enrollment of Wesley McCoy as a Choctaw Freedman; being sworn and examined by Com'r ~~McKinnon~~ Needles, he testified as follows:

Q What is your name? A Wesley McCoy.

Q How old are you? A Thirty-nine.

Q Were you born a slave? A I don't know.

Q What is your mother's name? A Eva.

Q Was she born a slave? A Yes sir.

Q Who did she belong to? A Sam Caffry.

Q Was he a choctaw or a chickasaw? A He was a white man, but he had a choctaw wife.

Q Where were you born? A In Kiamitia county, Choctaw Nation.

Q Where have you been living ever since? A Skullyville County

Q Are you married? A Yes sir.

Q Is your wife a citizen? A She is Chickasaw. I want to enroll a child; Mary Jane McCoy, Choctaw Freedman; its mother is named Sallie Ann, but she is sick and couldn't come.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to the above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

M. D. Green

Chickasaw

Affidavit
of

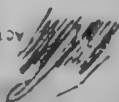
W. M. Gray

In Citizen Ship

Case =

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

Cheekman  
 Affidavit  
 of  
 J. M. Poy  
 in witness whereof  
 Case =

State of Indian Territory } ss  
Central District }

On this the 15 day of August A.D. 1901  
Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public  
in and for the aforesaid State and District  
duly authorized to Administer Oaths.

Wesley M McGoy - who being first by me  
duly sworn states as follows-

That his full name is Wesley M. McGoy  
that his present age is about 42 years  
and that he personally appeared before the  
Hon. Jaws Commissioner at South McAlester  
Ind Territory in month of September 1899.

And was enrolled as a Citizen by Adoption  
of the Choctaw Nation. And not as  
a Chickasaw Citizen. And that the  
discrepancy which occurs in the af-  
fidavit of my wife Patheria McGoy  
relative to my Citizenship is due to  
a mistake upon the part of said  
wife or Magistrate.

State of I T } Signed; Wesley M. McGoy  
Central District } ss.

Sworn to and subscribed before

This the 16 day of Aug. A.D. 1901

And I hereby certify that the foregoing  
Affidavit was fully made known and  
explained to Affiant before signing the  
same

seal.

Frank D. Linnard  
Notary Public

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of:

INFANT CHILD

*Mary Mosby*  
as a citizen of*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.*Proof of birth of child  
listed for enrollment 9/9/99*DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHOCTAW FREELMEN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Mary McGoy, born on the 26 day of August, 1897  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Wesley McGoy, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Sallie Ann Brown, citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Mary McGoy; Sutter, I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Sallie Ann Brown, on oath state that I am about 22  
 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am <sup>not</sup> the lawful wife of Wesley McGoy father of child, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 26 day of August, 1897; that said child has been named  
Mary McGoy, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

H. C. Knight  
Henry Choate

Sallie Ann Brown  
 (mark)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of Feb, 1903

Frank D. Duncan  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Jane Walker, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Sallie Ann Brown, wife of  
 on the 26 day of August, 1897, that there was born to her on said  
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Mary McGoy.

WITNESSES TO MARK:



H. C. Knight  
Henry Choate

Jane Walker  
 (mark)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of February, 1903

Frank D. Duncan  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 22, 1901.

Mr. W. M. McCoy,

Butter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit dated August 18, 1901, relative to your application for enrollment as a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation and explanatory of the statement made in the affidavit of your wife in the matter of the application for the enrollment of your infant child, wherein it was stated that you were a citizen by adoption of the Chickasaw Nation.

You are informed that your affidavit has been duly filed with the records of the Commission.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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2-9-1902

Malaga, Indian Territory, April 9, 1902.

Wesley M. McCoy,  
Sutter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 1th instant enclosing the affidavits of Parthenia McCoy and Toner Pulcher relative to the birth of Olive McCoy, minor child of W. M. and Parthenia McCoy on December 1, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of the birth of this child.

It is stated in your letter that this child died in August 1901. For the purpose of making his death a matter of record there is enclosed you herewith a blank for proof of death which you are kindly requested to have executed at your earliest convenience and return in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

You will notice that there is an affidavit for a relative and an acquaintance; in having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in every letter of the persons named

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names are to be affixed to the affidavits are unable to write and their signatures are by mark that each signature be attested by two disinterested parties witnesses thereto.

The notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged must affix his notarial jurat and seal to each separate affidavit.

Yours truly,

Att.

Commissioner in Charge.

D.C.

17-1182

Waskagee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1903.

Wesley McCoy,

Waskagee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your daughter, Mary McCoy, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence as to the birth of this child has ever been filed with the Commission. You should, therefore, fill out and return to the Commission immediately, the enclosed blank affidavits.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signatures are by mark they must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as until this information is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of this child as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

27-2132

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March, 12, 1903.

Wesley McCoy,

Gutter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt As heretofore acknowledged of the affidavits of Nellie Ann Brown and Jane Walker relative to the birth of your minor daughter Mary McCoy August 28, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 5, 1904.

Wesley McCoy,  
Butter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 15, 1903, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, which has been by him referred to the Commission for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you state that it is your understanding that under the treaty between the United States and the Indians a freedman is allowed to take his allotment in any of the nations he may choose, especially in the nation where he resides, and you request information on this subject.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Wesley McCoy and his daughter Mary McCoy have been enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations may select their allotments in either the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation. You would, therefore, be permitted to make selection of your allotment upon your personal appearance



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at the land office for the nation in which your land is located.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Chou. Fr. 11-12

Simon Beams

Fr. 1153

FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, I.T., Sept. 11, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Simon Beams, said beams being sworn by Commissioner Headlee and examined by him et al., testified:

I am 23; my mother's name was Caroline Worcester. She has been dead ever since I was quite a kid. My mother's last owner was Jim Davis. My mother was dead 15 years ago and I was with Edmund Flint at that time. I was born in the Choctaw nation and have been living round in the territory. I am a Choctaw.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*B. McDonald*

Choc. Fr. 1154

Richard Brown

Fr. 1154

FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, I.T., Sept. 11, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Dick Brown, said Brown being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him at als., testified:

I am about 40 and was born a slave. I belonged to Tecumseh Brown, a Chickasaw, and was sold to John Anderson, a Choctaw. I was in Wade county when I was turned free. I have been living in the Nation all the time.

I am married. My wife is a state woman. I have two children by this state woman. I have a certificate of marriage.

(Proof of marriage made; marriage certificate having been presented.)

Department of the Interior,

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*Spence*



Sans Bois I.T.

Jan 5<sup>th</sup> 1800

To the Dawes Commission  
Muscogee I.T.

Sir,

Enclose you herewith  
four application for enrollment  
of new borns, since the registration  
which some were not sworn  
to, but they were just not able  
to go, nor able to pay for the  
Notaries fee's,

So I send them on  
any way. hope you will accept  
them as they are full blood.

I registered the children myself  
and I know them that are here.

Governor thought it  
would be alright to send them  
on.

I am

Yours Truly  
Turner McIlberry

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Lilia Brown*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved, ..

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN:

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Lilia Brown, born on the 25 day of December, 1900  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Richard Brown, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Caroline Brown, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-office, Sans Bois, I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

I, Caroline Brown, on oath state that I am 33  
years of age and a citizen, by marriage, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Richard Brown, who is a citizen, by  
Blood a Freedman, of the Choctaw Nation, that a Female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1900 that said child has been  
named Lilia Brown, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK  
(Must be Two Witnesses)

B. J. Spring  
W. S. Hulsey  
Caroline Brown her mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1901.

S. B. Johnson  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

I, Sarah Harris, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Caroline Brown, wife of Richard Brown  
on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of Dec, 1900 that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Lilia Brown.

WITNESSES TO MARK  
(Must be Two Witnesses)

B. J. Spring  
W. S. Hulsey  
Sarah Harris her mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20 day of April, 1901.

S. B. Johnson  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

*Jonas Brown*  
as a citizen of the

*Choctaw* Nation.

Approved *AUG 11 1902* 190

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Jonas Brown, born on the 27 day of June, 1902  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Richard Brown, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Caroline Brown, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-Office: Sans Bois, B.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Caroline Brown, on oath state that I am  
 years of age and a citizen, by marriage, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Richard Brown, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation, that a male child was  
(Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 27 day of June, 1902; that said child has been  
 named Jonas Brown, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Wm. JamesMissie Anderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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day of

August1902H. N. Mason

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Patsy Sexton, a midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Caroline Brown, wife of Richard Brown,  
 on the 27 day of June, 1902; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
 named Jonas Brown.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Wm. JamesMissie Anderson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9

day of

August1902H. N. Mason

Notary Public.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Albert Brown*  
*a freed slave*

*Wharton* Nation.

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Albert Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
a citizen of the Cherokee Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Sauk Bois, Ind. Ter., and died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
(Here insert name of postoffice.)  
\_\_\_\_\_, 1900.

AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Richard Brown, on oath state that I am 43  
years of age and a citizen, by freeman, of the Cherokee Nation;  
that my post office address is Sauk Bois, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
Father of Albert Brown,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Cherokee Nation;  
and that said Albert Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
\_\_\_\_\_, 1900.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Fred Kinkade  
A. M. Miller  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Dec 1902  
J. C. Humphrey  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Hampton Davis, on oath state that I am 48  
years of age, and a citizen, by freeman, of the Cherokee Nation;  
that my post office address is Higley, Ind. Ter.;  
that I was personally acquainted with Albert Brown,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Cherokee Nation;  
and that said Albert Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
\_\_\_\_\_, 1900.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Fred Kinkade  
A. M. Miller  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Dec 1902  
J. C. Humphrey  
Notary Public.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Alberta Brown*

*a freed slave*

*Choctaw*

*Nation.*

Approved *DEC 21 1902*

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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(Here insert name of postoffice.)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

*J. L. Humphrey*  
Notary Public.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

WITNESSES TO DEATH:

( Must be Two  
Witnesses.

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J. C. H. Smith  
Notary Public.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Lilia Brown*

a citizen of the

*Choctaw* Nation.

Approved DEC 21 1902

Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Lilia Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
a freeman of the Choctaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Sans Bois, Ind. Ter., and died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
December, 1901.  
(Here insert name of postoffice.)

AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Centrage District.

I, Richard Brown, on oath state that I am 43  
years of age and a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Sans Bois, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
Father of Lilia Brown,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;  
and that said Lilia Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
Dec, 1901. Richard Brown  
his mark

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Fred Knixade  
Al McMillan

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Dec, 1902.

J. C. Humphrey  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Hampton Davis, on oath state that I am 48  
years of age, and a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Stigler, Ind. Ter.;  
that I was personally acquainted with Lilia Brown,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freeman, of the Choctaw Nation;  
and that said Lilia Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
Dec, 1901. Hampton Davis  
his mark

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Fred Knixade  
Al McMillan

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Dec, 1902.

J. C. Humphrey  
Notary Public.

17-1186

McMongee, Indian Territory, August 14, 1908.

Richard Brown,  
Garboin, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of James Brown, infant son of Richard and Caroline Brown, born June 27, 1902; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Waukegan, Indian Territory, February 8, 1900.

Mr. Turner McIlhenny,

Sanabola, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of January 28, making explanation as to the enrollment of Alberta and Albert Brown and John Riddell, previously reported to you as dead, in your letter of January 8, 1900.

In reply to your letter, you are advised that the Commission has identified Alberta and Albert Brown as applicants for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen, and the report of their death has been entered. The Commission is unable to identify John Riddell, and further information is requested as to the time and place he made application for enrollment, age, and any other information that may lead to his identification.

Yours truly,

Issing Chairman.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 24, 1901.

Mr. Richard Brown,

Samp Bois, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for the enrollment, as a Choctaw freedman, of Lillie Brown, the infant daughter of Richard and Caroline Brown, born December 25, 1900, and the same, being in proper form, has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 31, 1901.

Richard Brown,

In care of E. B. Johnson,

Sans Bois, Indian territory.

Dear Sir:

Information has reached the Commission that two of your children, Alberta and Albert Brown, have died since the time they were listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

For the purpose of making the death of these children a matter of record there is enclosed you herewith two blanks for proof of death, which you are kindly requested to have properly executed and return to this office in the enclosed envelope which requires no postage.

You will note that there is an affidavit for a relative and an acquaintance. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in event either of the persons whose names are to be affixed to the affidavits are unable to write and their signatures are to be made, that such signatures be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

The notary public before whom the affidavits of the

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and conditions are considered, most often the answer  
and the to each request is different.

Yours truly,

10-1286

Commissioner in Charge

U.S.C. & M.T.

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE  
RECORDS SECTION

Choc. Fr. 1155

Mary Taylor

Fr. 1155

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CHOCTAW ENROLLMENT

FREEDMAN

Mary Taylor, et, al.

Record Transferred to Choctaw Freed-  
man, card # 1167.

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WYCTAW FREEDOM

Mary Taylor, et al

Record Transferred

6 hos. Freed. card \* 116



Choc. Fr. 1156

Stewart Riddle

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Fr. 1156



FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South Canadian, I.T., Sept. 14, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Stewart Riddle, said Riddle being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him et al., testified:

I am about 40. I belonged to Jack Riddle, a Choctaw. I have always lived in the Indian Territory. I am living now in the Creek Nation. My family is creek, but I am a Choctaw.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon the official oath as stenographer to above named Commission that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. McDonald

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek Indian #1754

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 23, 1902.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Sam, Fibble, Rafert, Cub, William, and Gertie Riddle, ages 14, 10, 8, 6, 5 and 2 years, respectively, are regularly enrolled on Creek Indian Card, Field No. 1754; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names are included in partial roll of Creek citizens by blood approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 28, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division, that the above named are the children of Stuart Riddle, a Choctaw, and Tekie, a citizen of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek I 4331.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 17, 1903.

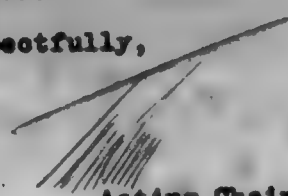
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Rufus Riddle, aged 1-3/4,  
is regularly listed for enrollment on Creek Indian Card Field  
No. 4331, and that selection of land in the Creek Nation has  
been made for him.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment  
Division that Stewart Riddle, a Choctaw citizen, is the father,  
and Tokio Riddle, a citizen by blood of the Creek Nation, is  
the mother, of said Rufus Riddle.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

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Choc. Fr. 1157

Robert Carney

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**ENROLLMENT**  
**CHOCTAW- FREEDMAN**

**Robert Carney.**

**GRANTED**

as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw  
nation, and record transferred to Choctaw  
card No. 3088, Nov. 11, 1905.

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MEMORANDUM  
*Robert Carney*

GRANTED

*as a citizen by blood  
of the Choctaw Nation  
and record transferred to  
Choctaw card No. 3088*

*Nov. 11, 1905.*



Choc. Fr. 1158

Austin LeFlore

Fr. 1158

Choctaw 4389  
Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 3, 1903.

R. B. Coleman,

Wallester, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 20, inclosing power of attorney from Austin LeFlore, a Choctaw freedman, who, you say, is serving a term in the penitentiary, and asking if you will be permitted to select his allotment under this power of attorney as you state he has no relative who comes within the relationship prescribed by the Commission.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Lucy LeFlore, who has been enrolled as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation and her enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, is the wife of Austin Le Flore, whose enrollment as a Choctaw freedman has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and she would be entitled to select allotment for her husband, Austin LeFlore, under power of attorney. The power of attorney forwarded by you is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

*Free man*

MEMORANDA.

*W. H. L. S.*

(Date) *Nov 17* 1899.

35 Name *Austin Le Flore*

Choctaw? *yes* County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Chickasaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen by blood? *Free man* Mother's citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Intermarried citizen? \_\_\_\_\_

Married under what law? *Master: Davis Pusley*

License filed this day, \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's name, \_\_\_\_\_

Choctaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Chickasaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen by blood? \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Intermarried citizen? \_\_\_\_\_

Married under what law? \_\_\_\_\_

License filed this day \_\_\_\_\_

Names of children: \_\_\_\_\_

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Father, *Billy Le Flore - Choctaw*

Mother *don't know*

Choctaw *Free man* 1158

Choc. Fr. 1159

Isom Flint

Fr. 1159

Dord No. 1189  
Shastaw Freedmen.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
Tulsa, Ind. Ter. Jan. 6, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Isaac Flint for enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, said Flint being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified in his own behalf:

Q. What is your name? A. Isaac Flint.

Q. What is your age? A. I don't know, about 75; I came here in '33 and was 5 years old then.

Q. Where do you live now? A. In the Creek Nation.

Q. At what point or place in the Creek Nation? A. In 14 miles of Okmulgee-- 27 miles west of Muskogee.

Q. What is your postoffice address? A. Bald Hill.

Q. Where were you born? A. In Alabama on the Leaf river near Mobile.

Q. When did you come to the Choctaw Nation? A. In '33 in the first emigration.

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes, until the civil war.

Q. Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation continuously ever since?  
A. Yes.

Q. Never been anywhere else except in the Creek Nation? You stated that you came to the Choctaw Nation in '33? A. Yes.

Q. How long did you remain in the Choctaw Nation? A. Until 6 years ago. I went to the Creek Nation 6 years ago this month.

Q. Have you ever been out of the Indian Territory? A. No, only when I went out to work.

Q. You have never been out of the Territory since you were freed?  
A. No.

Q. You never lived in Paducah or any other place outside of the Indian Territory? A. No, sir.



Q Who was your owner? A Joel Nail.

Q Give your father's name? A That is a man I never saw.

Q You do not know his name? A No sir.

Q Give the name of your mother? A She was named Nancy.

Q Did she have any other names than Nancy? A No sir, I do not know that she did.

Q Is she living now? A No sir. My mother told me that my father's name was Aaron Scales.

Q Who was your mother's owner? A She belonged to the same man I did. He brought her from Alabama.

Q Were you in the Choctaw Nation in '65? A Yes.

Q Where did you live in September, '65-- at what place in the Choctaw Nation? A I lived at Boggy Depot then I guess. I lived in Blue right after the war.

Q Have you ever been enrolled by the Choctaw authorities as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, twice.

Q In what year? A I do not know, you will have to go to the rolls to find that. I am not much of a scholar myself.

(By Mr. Aylesworth:)

Tribal roll of citizens made in '96 examined and the name of Isaac Flint found, No. 1208, Atoka county. Roll of Choctaw freedmen made by the tribal authorities in '85 contains the name of Isaac Flint, No. 1355, Atoka county.

Q Are you married? A Yes.

Q Is your wife a Choctaw? A She is a Creek colored woman.

Q You are at present married to a Creek woman? A Yes.

Q Was your former wife a Choctaw citizen? A Yes.

Q She is now dead? A Yes. She died right here at Atoka-- my mother told me.

Q In what year were you first married-- about what year? A I don't remember what year it was.



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- Q What was your Choctaw wife's maiden name? A Missa, she belonged to the same band I did.
- Q About what year did your father die? A I do not know. I never saw him.
- Q About when did your mother die? A Long before the war.
- Q Have you any children by your Choctaw wife under 21 years of age? A No.
- Q You apply for enrollment for yourself only that? A Yes sir.

Brown McDonald being first duly sworn by Acting Chairman  
James Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five  
Civilized Tribes, he reported in full the testimony of the above  
named witnesses, and that the foregoing is a true and complete  
record of his stenographic notes.

Brown McDonald

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 4th day  
of June, A. D. 1900.

  
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Acting Chairman.

COMMISSIONERS:  
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TAMM DIXBY,  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,  
C. R. BRECKINRIDGE.

ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH,  
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek F 817.

A LETTER ONLY TO THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1903.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Leah Thompson, aged 22, and her daughters, Nettie Thompson, aged 9 months, and Katie Thompson, aged 4 months, are regularly enrolled on Creek Freedman Card Field No. 817; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names are included in a partial roll of Creek freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 28, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division that Isom Flint, a Chickasaw freedman, is the father of said Leah Thompson, and Polly Flint, a Creek freedman, is her mother; and that Ned Thompson, a Creek freedman, is the father of her said children.

Respectfully,

  
Acting Chairman.

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J. J. B.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek F 818.

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1903.

Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Thomas Flint, aged 33, and James, Polly, Jennie, Nora and Gora Flint, aged 12, 11, 9, 7, and 5, respectively, are regularly enrolled on Creek Freedman Card Field No. 818; that selections of land have been made for them in the Creek Nation, and that their names are included in a schedule of Creek freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 28, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division that said Thomas Flint is the son of Isom Flint, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, and Polly Flint, a citizen of the Creek Nation; and that the mother of his said children was Mary Flint, now deceased, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Creek F 819.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1903.

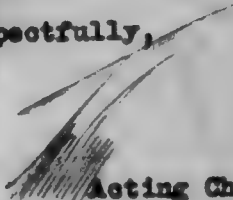
Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Gentlemen:

You are hereby advised that Amanda Flint, aged 14, is regularly enrolled on Creek Freedman Card Field No. 819; that selection of land has been made for her in the Creek Nation, and that her name is included in a partial roll of Creek freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 28, 1902.

It appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division that Isom Flint, a Chickasaw freedman, is the father of said Amanda Flint, and that her mother is Polly Flint, a Creek freedman.

Respectfully,



Acting Chairman.

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Cheetaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 10, 1903.

Jim Johnson,

Grant, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 4, designating the numbers of the land on which you have improvements, and in reply you are advised that the Commission has, at this time, no means of recording the selections of citizens and freedmen of the Cheetaw and Chickasaw Nations. Matters of this character will receive its consideration upon the establishment of land offices, which will be April 15, 1903, at which time the citizens and freedmen of these two tribes may appear at the land office for the nation in which their land is located, and make formal application for their allotments.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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*unrolled*

MEMORANDA.

*Bald Hill, S.D.*

Name *Isom Flint* (Date) *June 4<sup>th</sup> 1900.* #1455  
Choctaw? *Fredman* County *Atoka* Year *1896* No. *1385-1896*  
Chickasaw? County Year Page  
Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Slave*

Intermarried citizen?  
Married under what law?  
License filed this day,

Wife's name,  
Choctaw? County  
Chickasaw? County  
Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship  
Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day  
Names of children:

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| <i>Joel Nail</i> | <i>owner</i>  |
| <i>Mother</i>    | <i>Nancy</i>  |
| <i>Father</i>    | <i>Aaron</i>  |
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*Mother owner:*  
*Joel Nail*

Choc. Fr. 1160

Mokey Gary

Fr. 1160

Choctaw freedman  
Card No. 1169.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TER., JUNE 3, 1900.

In the matter of the application for enrollment of E. Moley Gary, as a Choctaw freedman, her mother Alice Gary, being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Alice Gary.  
Q How old are you? A 25 years old.  
Q Where do you live? A About 4 miles from Stringtown.  
Q What is your postoffice? A Stringtown.  
Q What is your citizenship? A United States.  
Q You apply for the enrollment of Moley Gary do you? A Yes.  
Q What relation is Moley to you? A She is my child.  
Q Are you married? A I have been, but me and my husband are now divorced.  
Q When were you married? A In '82.  
Q Whom did you marry? A Jesse Gary.  
Q What is his citizenship? A He claims to be a Choctaw freedman.  
Q Where were you married? A At Stringtown.  
Q By whom were you married? A Geo. W. Bright.  
Q In what capacity? A He was a minister.  
Q Have you with you any evidence of your marriage? A Have you the marriage license or certificate? A I have the marriage license at home.  
Q You haven't it here? A No sir.  
Q Have you the marriage certificate at home? A Nothing but the license.  
(By the Commission:) You will be required to forward that license to the Commission.  
Q Didn't the minister give you a certificate? A No sir, nothing but the license.  
Q How old is this child? A Six years old.  
Q Is she living with you? A Yes.  
Q Have you ever been appointed her guardian? A No sir.  
Q Does Jesse Gary claim the right of her custody? A I don't know; never heard him say.  
Q He never has asked you to give her to him, has he? A No sir.  
Q When were you divorced? A I cannot tell you?  
Q About when? A About two years ago, I think.  
Q He got the divorce, did he? A Yes sir.



Choctaw freedman  
Card #1160.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FULL CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., JUN. 5, 1900.

In the matter of the application for enrollment of Moley  
Gary as a Choctaw freedman, Russell Tyson being sworn by Acting  
Chairman Dixey, testified:

By the Commissioner:

- Q Do you know Moley Gary? A Yes.  
Q How old is she? A About 5 years old.  
Q Who is her mother? A Alice Gary.  
Q Is Alice Gary a Choctaw or Chickasaw citizen, do you know? A She  
is a state woman -- her husband is a citizen.  
Q Who is this woman's husband? A Jesse Gary.  
Q Do you know when Alice and Jesse were married? A Yes.  
Q Were you present at the marriage? A No sir.  
Q Do you know of your own knowledge that they are married? A No  
sir.  
Q Did you see the marriage license? A Yes sir.  
Q Do you know whether Jesse Gary was living with Alice at the time  
this child was born? A Yes sir.  
Q He was? A Yes sir.

Choctaw freedman  
Card #1160.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TERR., JUNE 5, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Moley Gary for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, Alex Tyson being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q Do you know Alice Gary? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Moley Gary? A Yes.  
Q What relation is Moley Gary to Alice Gary? A She is her daughter.  
Q Do you know what Moley's father's name is? A Yes.  
Q What is his name? A Jesse Gary.  
Q Do you know whether Jesse and Alice were married? A Yes.  
Q Were you present? A Not in the house, but came along soon after they were married.  
Q Did you see the marriage license? A Yes.  
Q Did you see the marriage certificate? A Yes.  
Q Who married them? A Geo. Bright.  
Q You were not present when the ceremony was performed? A No sir.  
Q Do you know whether Jesse and Alice were living together at the time Moley was born? A Yes, they were living together then.

Brown McDonald, being first duly sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported in full the testimony of the witnesses Alice Gary, Russell Tyson and Alex Tyson in the application of Moley Gary for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

  
Acting Chairman.

*buried copy*

No. 147

~~Certificate~~ of Record of  
Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, } SCT.  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT.

I, E. J. FANNIN, Clerk of the United States  
Court in the Indian Territory and District aforesaid,  
do hereby CERTIFY that the License for and Cer-  
tificate of the Marriage of

Mr.

and

M.

was filed in my office in said Territory and District  
the day of A. D.  
and duly recorded in Book of  
Marriage Record, Page

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court,

at

this

day of

A. D.

E. J. FANNIN,  
Clerk.

By

Deputy.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHIEF CLERK.

# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Second Judicial Division

SS.

To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize  
the Rite and publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between  
Mrs. Jessie Cairns  
of Stratton in the Indian Territory, aged 24  
years, and Miss Alice Taylor  
of Stratton in the Indian Territory, aged 18  
years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this  
License to the parties therein named.

WITNESS My hand and official seal, this

15<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1893

J. H. Foster

Deputy.

Marshall L. Hodgdon  
Clerk of the United States Court.

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
First Judicial Division

SS.

do hereby CERTIFY, that on the

15<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1893  
I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and  
publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this

15<sup>th</sup> day of March A.D. 1893

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the  
Indian Territory, Book 6, Page 111

J. H. Foster  
a Minister of the Gospel

NOTE—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory,  
from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One  
Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Witness my hand and official seal, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March 1893

Marshall L. Hodgdon

By: R. L. Schuyler Deputy.

Clerk of the United States Court

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
INDIAN TERRITORY  
Central District

S.S.

I, E. J. FANNIN, Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory, Central District, and ex-officio recorder of said Territory and District, do hereby certify that the instrument hereto attached is a full, true and correct copy of *the 10th of* ~~filed in my office on the~~ *page* ~~day~~ of

*March 1890* and *Miss Boyle* and duly recorded in Book *1* page *139*.

Witness my hand and the seal of said Court at South McAlester, in said Territory, this *20th* day of

*March 1900*



*E. J. Fannin*

CLERK

Deputy.

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN. IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Molcey Gary.*

as a citizen of the

*Choctaw Freedman* Nation.

Approved, SEP 20 1900

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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SEP 26 1900

*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN.

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## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation,  
 of *Molcey Harris*, born on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *May*, 1893  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *Jess Harris*, a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Alice McOyle*, a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
 Postoffice, *Stratford, Ark.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Central District. )  
 INDIAN TERRITORY.

I, *Alice McOyle*, on oath state that I am *24*  
 years of age and a citizen, by *Marriage* of the *Choctaw* Nation;  
 that I ~~am~~ <sup>was</sup> the lawful wife of *Jess Harris*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption* of the *Choctaw* Nation; that a *female* child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *May*, 1893 that said child has been  
 named *Molcey Harris*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*J. Vanham*  
*J. T. Neal*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*Alice McOyle*  
*mark*

*9<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, 1900  
*L. S. Kennedy*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Central District. )  
 INDIAN TERRITORY.

I, *Melinda Dorsey*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Alice McOyle*, wife of *Jess Harris*,  
 on the *24<sup>th</sup>* day of *May*, 1893, that there was born to her on  
 said date a *female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female)  
 named *Molcey Harris*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*J. Vanham*  
*J. T. Neal*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*Melinda Dorsey*  
*her mark*

*9<sup>th</sup>* day of *July*, 1900  
*L. S. Kennedy*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
September 6, 1904.

17-1160.

In the matter of the enrollment of Molcey Gary as a Choctaw Freedman.

Jesse Gary, being first duly sworn by Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Jesse Gary.  
Q. What relation are you to Molcey Gary? A. She is my daughter.  
Q. How old is she? A. She is nine years old now, to my best recollection.  
Q. Who was the mother of Molcey Gary? A. Alice McCoy.  
Q. Was she a states woman? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Is she living? A. No, sir, she is dead.  
Q. Where is Molcey Gary? Where has she been living? A. At Stringtown.  
Q. In the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Has she lived anywhere else since she was born? A. No, sir.  
Q. Have you any evidence of the marriage between yourself and Alice? A. Yes, sir, but when we parted she kept the license.  
Q. Have you tried to get a copy of the license? A. No, sir.  
Q. By whom were you married to her? A. G. W. Bright, at Stringtown.  
Q. Is he living? A. Yes, sir. Q. At Stringtown? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Don't you think you could get a marriage license from him? A. Yes, sir.

Witness excused.

Dan Ward, being first duly sworn by Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Dan Ward.  
Q. Do you know Jesse Gary? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Do you know anything at all about his marriage to Alice McCoy? A. Yes, sir, I saw them married.  
Q. You were at the house? A. Yes, sir, right in there; they were married in my mother's house.  
Q. How long ago was that? A. About ten years ago.  
Q. Did Jesse Gary and Alice Gary have any children? A. Yes, sir, Molcey.  
Q. Was that child born after they were married? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Is it living? A. Yes, sir.

Witness excused.

Mary Colbert, being first duly sworn by Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Mary Colbert.  
Q. Do you know Jesse Gary? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Do you know anything about his marriage to Alice McCoy? A. Yes, sir, I was there. They were married in my house.

- Q. By whom? A. George Bright.  
Q. You are sure they were married all right? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Was this Molcey Gary born in your house? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Do you know whether the child is living? A. Yes, sir, I saw it Sunday.  
Q. The child was born after the marriage? A. Yes, sir.

Witness excused.

Elsie E. Ashton, being first duly sworn, states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she reported the proceedings above and that this is a full, true and correct transcript of her stenographic notes.

*Elsie E. Ashton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of September, 1904.

*J. H. Humphreys*  
Notary Public.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 20, 1900.

Alice K. Coyle,

Striptown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission is in receipt of yours of June 20th, in which you inclose marriage license and certificate between yourself and Jess Harris. The same is retained by the Commission for reference.

As requested in your letter, there is sent you herewith a blank application for the enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed, please see that all blanks are filled out, all names written in full, both affidavits thereon provided for acknowledged before a Notary Public, and the Notary's name and seal attached to each affidavit. Upon receipt of the inclosed application, in proper form, the application for enrollment of your child will receive attention.

Please advise the Commission when and where Jess Harris appeared before the Commission as an applicant for enrollment, his full name, the names of other members of his family, and also advise whether he appeared as an applicant in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations, and as an Indian or Freedman.

Yours truly,

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 11, 1900.

Alice McOyle,

Stringtown, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of July 9th, inclosing an application for the enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Mclsey Harris, the infant daughter of Jess Harris and Alice McOyle. From the information contained in your letter, the Commission has been enabled to identify Jess Harris as Jesse Gary, twenty nine years of age, who was listed for enrollment by this Commission August 28th, 1899 as a Choctaw Freedman. At the time he appeared before the Commission at Atoka on the date above stated, there were listed for enrollment in addition to himself, his wife Mattie and his son Chester Gary. The marriage license and certificate of Jess Harris and Alice Coyle, dated March 15th, 1898 has been received by the Commission, and it is evident that you are not the same party who is listed for enrollment by him in 1899 as his wife as her mother's name was Green and her father's name was Wilson. The Commission cannot accept the application of Mclsey Harris, if the father is the Jesse Gary previously referred to, as it would be necessary to have the name of the father in the application identical with the name under which he was listed for enrollment by this Commission. It would be well for you to have some one make a clearer and



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more precise statement of your status, and if you are the wife of Jesse Rury above referred to. Until this matter is brought clearly before the Commission, no further attention can be paid to the matter of the application for enrollment of Melney Harris.

Yours truly,

Asking Chairman.

In reply to the letter,  
please refer to 17-966



Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 26, 1900.

Alice Gary,

Stringtown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of your child, Melody Gary, the records of this Commission show that you appeared before the Commission as an applicant for the enrollment of this child at Atoka, Indian Territory, June 5th, 1900 and that you stated at that time that your name was Alice Gary and that you were in 1892 married to Jesse Gary, at Stringtown, Indian Territory, by Geo. W. Bright, but that you have since that time been divorced from Jesse Gary. You subsequently at that time presented to this Commission an application for the enrollment of your child but his name was then given as Melody Harris, in which affidavit you appeared under your maiden name of Alice Coyle and in that affidavit it was stated that you were the lawful wife of Jesse Harris.

There has also been offered the Commission, the marriage license and certificate of Jesse Harris to Alice Coyle, who were married by Geo. W. Bright on the 15th of March, 1892.

The records of this Commission show that your former husband, Jesse, was listed for enrollment by this Commission August 20th, 1899, together with his present wife Maitle and his son Chester, under the name of Gary. You are therefore requested to fully explain to the Commission whether you are now going under the name of Gary or Coyle and how it happens that the marriage license

was issued to Jesse Harris. It will be necessary for the Commission to have a full and explicit explanation as to the reason for the discrepancy in these names before the matter of the enrollment of your child can be properly considered.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman

In reply please  
refer to 35-1105

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 29, 1900.

Alice Gerry,

Warrington, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of the 23rd instant, containing information as to the different names under which you and Jesse Gerry have appeared in the matter of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Molecy Garry or Molecy Harris.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

17-1160

Choctaw Freedmen  
986 & 1160.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 1, 1904.

Jesse Gary,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 24, in which you state that you have understood certain members of your family, to-wit, Mattie and Lindsay Gary, have had their names placed upon schedules of Choctaw Freedmen which have been sent to the Secretary of the Interior for approval. You ask to be informed why your name and the names of your minor children, Chester and Maisey Gary, have not been placed upon such schedules and what, if any, additional evidence will be required before you can be enrolled.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that before the Commission can determine your right to enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission at its office in Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the purpose of testifying relative to your right to enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

It does not appear from our records that evidence of the birth of your son, Chester Gary, has been filed with the Commission, and before the application for his enrollment can receive further consideration, it will be necessary for you to forward such evidence.

J. G. 3.

For this purpose, there is enclosed herewith a blank form for the proof of birth of infant children, which kindly have executed and return to this office as early as practicable. In having same executed, be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary before whom the affidavits are acknowledged affixes his name and seal to each affidavit.

Replying to that portion of your letter relating to Malsey Gary, the mother of Malsey Gary being a non-citizen, the Commission cannot pass upon the right of this child to enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman until your right to enrollment has been determined.

Respectfully,

B.C.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-956.

17-1160.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 18, 1904.

Jesse Gary,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 13th, in which you request that your testimony in the matter of the enrollment of yourself and family be taken at Atoka.

In reply to your letter you are informed that in compliance with your request your testimony in the matter of the enrollment of yourself and children as Choctaw freedmen will be taken during the appointment of the Commission at the Choctaw Land Office, September 6--7, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Choc. Fr. 1161

Louisa Williams

Choctaw Freedman  
1161

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA IND., TER., JUNE 7, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Louise Williams for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, said Louise Williams being sworn by Acting Chairman Sixty, testified:

- Q What is your name? A Louise Williams.  
Q You claim as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q What is your age? A 25 years old.  
Q Where do you live? A Atoka.  
Q Is Atoka your postoffice? A Yes.  
Q Where were you born? A Noddy Depot.  
Q What county is that in? A I don't know what county it is. It is in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation continuously ever since you were born? A Yes.  
Q You never have been out of the Choctaw Nation to live? A No.  
Q Give your father's name? A Green Williams.  
Q Was your father a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A I don't know.  
Q Is he now living? A No sir.  
Q When did he die? A About 10 years ago, I guess.  
Q Did he live in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes.  
Q Ever since you remember? A Yes.  
Q Give the name of your mother? A Mary Williams.  
Q Is your mother now living? A No sir.  
Q When did she die? A About 8 years ago.  
Q Was she the slave of a Choctaw Indian? A I don't know.  
Q Do you know whether your father or your mother was in the Choctaw Nation in September, 1865? A No sir, I don't know.  
Q Did your mother always live in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, so far as I know.  
Q Have you ever been enrolled by the authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q In what year? A I don't know what year it was.

The roll made by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation in 1865 examined and the name of Louise Williams No. 1533, daughter of Mary Williams who is shown by said record to have been a slave of James Colbert.

- Q Are you married? A No sir.  
Q Have you any children? A No sir.  
Q You make application for yourself only? A Yes.  
Q Have you any witnesses here that you wish to produce? A No sir, not out here.

Chas F 1161

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TERR., JUNE 7, 1900.

In the matter of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Louisa Williams, A. Telle being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

By the Commission:

- Q Mr. Telle, do you know the applicant, Louisa Williams? A Yes.  
Q What is your age? A 40 years old.  
Q What official position do you hold? A Clerk of the Choctaw Citizenship Commission.  
Q As such officer have you the custody of tribal records of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes.  
Q Are you familiar with the roll known as the '85 Roll of Choctaw freedmen? A Yes.  
Q On page 48 of the Third District of that Roll appears the name of Louisa Williams No. 1523, is this applicant the person whose name is so listed thus listed? A Yes.  
Q I will ask you to make such statement as you deem proper in connection with the identification of this woman? A The report came to us that these children of Mary Williams were not entitled to citizenship as Choctaw freedmen. On receipt of this report our Commission examined into their case and ascertained the fact that there is a mistake in this record with reference to the name of the former owner of Mary Williams, the mother of this applicant. It appears from the best information that we can get that this Mary Williams was a former slave of Eastman Leman, a Choctaw Indian.  
Q State, if you please, when this investigation was made? A During the working of the Commission since '97; sometime since during that time-- we just took up cases where we were.

Brown McDonald, being first duly sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported in full the testimony of Louisa Williams and A. Telle in the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Louisa Williams, and that the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of his notes.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 7th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

*[Signature]*  
Acting Chairman.

Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOCA, IND. TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Ison Flint being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Ison Flint.
- Q How old are you? A 75.
- Q Where were you born? A In Alabama.
- Q When did you come to the Choctaw Nation? A '33.
- Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since that time? A Yes.
- Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.
- Q Are you recognized by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.
- Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.
- Q What relation are they to each other? A They are all sisters.
- Q They all have the same father? A Yes.
- Q And the same mother? A Yes.
- Q State the name of their father? A His name was Williams. Don't know his full name.
- Q Did you know him personally? A Well, I knew him here when I was passing through the country and saw him around Atoka.
- Q When do you remember of first seeing him? A When the M. K. & T. Railroad first came through here.
- Q That was in '71? A Somewhere along about there.
- Q You were not his neighbor? A No sir.
- Q Your acquaintance with him was very slight? A Yes.
- Q State how long you have lived in the Choctaw Nation? A I came to the Choctaw Nation in '33.
- Q How long did you then remain? A Until six years ago last June I went to the Creek Nation.
- Q You went to the Creek Nation about '94, did you? A Yes.
- Q Do you know whether the father of these four applicants, Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, was an Indian a Choctaw Indian? A No sir, he was not.
- Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.
- Q Was he a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir.
- Q Was he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.
- Q State what his citizenship was if you know? A He was from Texas.
- Q Who was the mother of these applicants? A Her name is Mary Brown they call her.
- Q She was a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.
- Q What was the name of the master of the mother of these girls? A. Ned Brown.
- Q You state that Mary Brown was a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.
- Q Ned Brown was the owner of the mother of these applicants? A Yes.
- Q When did you first know her? A I knew her when she was a little child.
- Q In Alabama? A No sir.
- Q After you came to the Choctaw Nation? A She was born here.
- Q Did you know her intimately? A Yes.
- Q You do not remember the year you first became acquainted with her? A No sir.



Choctaw 1151, 1152,  
1153, 1154.  
Isom Flint-2.

Q Was it before or after the war? A Long before the war.

By Judge S. E. Lewis:

Q You state Ned Brown was a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Chickasaw.

Q Didn't you state that he was a Choctaw? A He was in the Choctaw Nation.

Q Where did Ned Brown live? A He died in the Chickasaw Nation.

By Mr. Haytubby:

Q What part of the Chickasaw Nation? A Pennington.

Q That Ned Brown you speak of-- aren't you mistaken in the name? Are you sure it was Ned Brown? A It was Ned Brown.

Q Lived on Pennington? A He lived between Pennington and Mill Creek.

Q Didn't Ned Brown have an Indian name? A Pahahchi.

Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOCA, IND., TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Jennie James being sworn by Acting Chairman Sixby, testified as follows:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Jennie James.  
Q How old are you? A I don't know my age, sir.  
Q Where were you born? A Kiamish county, Choctaw Nation.  
Q Before or after the Civil war? A After peace was declared or before? A Before.  
Q Were you a slave? A Yes.  
Q Of a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you a Chickasaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are these four applicants to each other? A They are four sisters.  
Q Had the same father? A Yes.  
Q Had the same mother? A Yes.  
Q Have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation continuously since you were born? A Yes.  
Q What is the name of the mother of these applicants? A Mary Williams.  
Q What was her citizenship? A Chickasaw freedman.  
Q To whom did she belong? A She belonged to Ned Brown and when the old man ~~was~~ died they were divided down to Doaksville.  
Q Was Ned Brown a Chickasaw Indian, do you know? A Yes, he died at Tishomingo. I stayed with him until I was free and I came down to Boggy and he died since I came down here.  
Q What was his Indian name? A Pakahchi.  
Q Did Mary Williams, the mother of these children, belong to Ned Brown at the time peace was declared? A They were divided and she belonged to old Robert Jones' wife, a Choctaw woman.  
Q Did she belong to ~~W~~ Robert Jones' wife after Ned Brown owned her? A Yes.  
Q Did Ned Brown sell her to a Choctaw woman? A Yes.  
Q What was that Choctaw woman's name? A I don't recollect.  
Q But it was Jones was it? A Yes.

By Judge Lewis:

- Q Was it Robert Jones' Indian wife that died close to Doaksville?  
A Yes.

(Statement by Judge Lewis:)

She was a Chickasaw and her name was Susan Jones? She was a Colbert originally.)

By the Commission:

- Q You stated a few minutes ago that Mrs. Jones, whom you now state to be Susie Jones, was a Choctaw ~~man~~ Indian? A I thought she was a Choctaw but Judge Lewis says she was a Chickasaw? A No.

By Mr. Maytabby: Pakahchi

- Q Are you sure that ~~you~~ sold this woman to Mrs. Jones? A Yes.  
Q Didn't he sell her to someone else? A No sir, I don't recollect him selling her to anyone else.

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Choctaw 1161- 1162.  
1163- 1164.

Jennie James-2.

By the Commission:

Q Was that sale made before the war? A Yes.

By Mr. Mayhobby: Didn't Eastman Lown buy her? A I don't know.

By Judge Lewis: Q How long before the war when he sold her? A I could not tell you because we were all small.

By the Commission: Q Do you know where Mary Williams was born? A She was born in Kiamish county in the Choctaw Nation.

Q Do you know whether she was in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations in September, 1865? A I don't know, but I think she was down at Kiamish.

Q This was at the close of the war-- do you remember whether she was here just at the close of the war? A I don't know.

Q Do you know whether she ever left the territory and went out? A No sir, I don't know.

Q What was the name of the father of these four girls? A Green Williams.

Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.

Q Is he living now? A He is dead.

Q Was he a Chick Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.

Q What was his citizenship, do you know? A He came from Texas.

Q He did not claim any rights? A No sir.

Chester 1161 1162  
1163 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TERR., JUNE 6, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Cheatew freedmen, S. M. Lewis being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q Judge Lewis, do you know a woman by the name of Susie Jones? A No sir.
- Q Do you know whether there was such a person a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes, Robert Jones' second wife.
- Q Can you state where she was recognized as a member of the Chickasaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.
- Q Can you state whether Mary Williams, the mother of these applicants ever belonged to Susie Jones? A I don't know.

Brown McEwald being first sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported the testimony in full in the matter of the application for enrollment as Cheatew freedmen of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, of the witnesses, Isaac Flint, Alonzo Jones, and that the foregoing is a true transcript thereof.

*Brown McEwald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 6th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

*[Signature]*  
Acting Chairman.

## FREEDMAN

Statement of Ben Folsom in re enrollment of Lou Williams Katherine Jackson et al for Citizenship as Choctaw Freedmen. Ben Folsom being duly sworn testified as follows:---

Q. What is your name? A. Ben Folsom.

Q. Do you know Mary Williams? A. Yes sir I knew her by the name of Buckner. She married a man by that name.

Q. Who was he? A. He was a man Henry Folsom hired over in Texas to come over here and make shoes for us Darkies. He belonged to a whiteman.

Q. Who owned Mary the first time you knew her? A. I don't know who Buckner's did first. She was Green ~~Buttars~~ wife when I first knew her. She and Green came there married together when I was a boy.

Q. She had been sold out and was living with this Green Buckner at the time of Freedom. A. Yes sir Henry Folsom had them hired, and I think he brought them over from Texas.

Q. You never did hear who they belonged to before they were sold out? A. No sir I do not. I think Henry Folsom had Green hired there, for shoemaker.

Q. Do you know the names of her children? A. No sir.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Choc. Fr. 1162

Katherine Jackson

Fr. 1162



Statement of Ben Folsom in re enrollment of Lee Williams  
Katherine Jackson et al for Citizenship as Chester Freedman. Ben  
Folsom being duly sworn testified as follows:--

Q. What is your name? A. Ben Folsom.

Q. Do you know Mary Williams? A. Yes sir I knew her by the name of  
Buckner. She married a man by that name.

Q. Who was he? A. He was a man Henry Folsom hired over in Texas  
to come over here and make shoes for us Darkies. He belonged to a  
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Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

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my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

Choctaw Freedman #1162.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TER., JUNE 7, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Catherine Jackson for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, said Catherine Jackson being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Catherine Jackson.  
Q How old are you? A 30 years old.  
Q Where do you live? A Atoka.  
Q Where were you born? A At Long Creek in the Choctaw Nation, in the Indian territory.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation continuously since you were born? A Yes.  
Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir.  
Q Give your father's name? A Green Williams.  
Q Was your father the slave of a Choctaw Indian? A I don't know.  
Q Give the name of your mother? A ~~Elizabeth~~ Mary Williams.  
Q Is your mother now living? A No sir.  
Q She was the slave of a Choctaw Indian? A I don't know sir.  
Q Is your father living? A No sir.  
Q When did he die? A About 10 years ago.  
Q When did your mother die? A About 8 years ago.  
Q Do you know whether either your father or your mother were in the Choctaw Nation in September, 1865? A I don't know.  
Q Have you ever been enrolled by the authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q In what year? A I disremember.

The roll made by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation examined and the name of Catherine Williams found on page 48 No. 1520 shows her to be the daughter of Mary Williams No. 1516, who was formerly slave of James Colbert.

- Q Are you married? A Yes.  
Q What is your husband's name? A Louis Jackson.  
Q Is Louis Jackson a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q What is he? A He is from the states.  
Q Have you any children? A No sir.  
Q When were you married to Louis Jackson? A About 6 years ago.  
Q Is he your first husband? A No sir.  
Q To whom were you married before him? A Landon Colbert.  
Q You have no children under 21 years of age? A No sir, I have none.  
Q Was he your first husband? A Yes.  
Q Is he now dead? A No sir.  
Q Have you any witnesses here? A No sir.



Choctaw freedman #1162.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TER., JUNE 7, 1900.

In the matter of the application for enrollment of Catherine Jackson as a Choctaw freedman, A. Telle being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

Q How old are you? A 40 years old.

Q Please state whether you are an official of the Choctaw Nation and in what capacity? A Clerk of the citizenship Commission of the Choctaw Nation.

Q Do you know the applicant Catherine Jackson? A Yes.

Q Are you familiar with the citizenship records of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes.

(The Commission produces Roll of Choctaw freedman for the Third District, Choctaw Nation, made in 1885.)

Q On page 48 of this record appears the name of Catherine Williams No. 1528 shows to be the daughter of Mary Williams, #1518; do you know the applicant to be the person thus recorded?

A Yes sir.

Q Please state what information you have concerning the identification of this person in connection with the ownership of her mother? A The information came to the citizenship commission that these parties children of Mary Williams were not entitled to registration as Choctaw citizens; on investigation it was ascertained that their mother was a former slave of Eastman Loma, a Choctaw Indian.

Brown McDonald, being first sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in full the testimony of the witnesses Catherine Jackson and A. Telle in the matter of the enrollment of Catherine Jackson as a Choctaw Freedman, and that the foregoing transcript is a full and correct translation of his notes.

Brown McDonald

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of June 1900.

[Signature]  
Acting Chairman.

Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOCA, IND. TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Isom Flint being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Isom Flint.  
Q How old are you? A 75.  
Q Where were you born? A In Alabama.  
Q When did you come to the Choctaw Nation? A '33.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since that time? A Yes.  
Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you recognized by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are they to each other? A They are all sisters.  
Q They all have the same father? A Yes.  
Q And the same mother? A Yes.  
Q State the name of their father? A His name was Williams. Don't know his full name.  
Q Did you know him personally? A Well, I knew him here when I was passing through the country and saw him around Atoka.  
Q When do you remember of first seeing him? A When the W. K. & T. Railroad first came through here.  
Q That was in '71? A Somewhere along about there.  
Q You were not his neighbor? A No sir.  
Q Your acquaintance with him was very slight? A Yes.  
Q State now how long you have lived in the Choctaw Nation? A I came to the Choctaw Nation in '33.  
Q How long did you then remain? A Until six years ago last June I went to the Creek Nation.  
Q You went to the Creek Nation about '94, did you? A Yes.  
Q Do you know whether the father of these four applicants, Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, was an Indian a Choctaw Indian? A No sir, he was not.  
Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q Was he a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir.  
Q Was he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q State what his citizenship was if you know? A He was from Texas.  
Q Who was the mother of these applicants? A Her name is Mary Brown they call her.  
Q She was a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q What was the name of the master of the mother of these girls? A Ned Brown.  
Q You state that Mary Brown was a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.  
Q Ned Brown was the owner of the mother of these applicants? A Yes.  
Q When did you first know her? A I know her when she was a little child.  
Q In Alabama? A No sir.  
Q After you came to the Choctaw Nation? A She was born here.  
Q Did you know her intimately? A Yes.  
Q Do you remember the year you first became acquainted with her?

Chickasaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.  
Known Flint-2.

Q Was it before or after the war? A Long before the war.

By Judge S. H. Lewis:

Q You state Ned Brown was a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Chickasaw.  
Q Didn't you state that he was a Choctaw? A He was in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Where did Ned Brown live? A He died in the Chickasaw Nation.

By Mr. Maytubby:

Q What part of the Chickasaw Nation? A Pennington.  
Q That Ned Brown you speak of-- aren't you mistaken in the name? Are you sure it was Ned Brown? A It was Ned Brown.  
Q Lived on Pennington? A He lived between Pennington and Mill Creek.  
Q Didn't Ned Brown have an Indian name? A Pakahohi.

Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Jennie James being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Jennie James.  
Q How old are you? A I don't know my age, sir.  
Q Where were you born? A Kiamish county, Choctaw Nation.  
Q Before or after the Civil war? A After peace was declared or before? A Before.  
Q Were you a slave? A Yes.  
Q Of a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you a Chickasaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are these four applicants to each other? A They are four sisters.  
Q Had the same father? A Yes.  
Q Had the same mother? A Yes.  
Q Have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation continuously since you were born? A Yes.  
Q What is the name of the mother of these applicants? A Mary Williams.  
Q What was her citizenship? A Chickasaw freedman.  
Q To whom did she belong? A She belonged to Ned Brown and when the old man died they were divided down to Doakville.  
Q Was Ned Brown a Chickasaw Indian, do you know? A Yes, he died at Tishomingo. I stayed with him until I was free and I came down to Boggy and he died since I came down here.  
Q What was his Indian name? A Pakahchi.  
Q Did Mary Williams, the mother of these children, belong to Ned Brown at the time peace was declared? A They were divided and she belonged to old Robert Jones' wife, a Choctaw woman.  
Q Did she belong to M Robert Jones' wife after Ned Brown owned her? A Yes.  
Q Did Ned Brown sell her to a Choctaw woman? A Yes.  
Q What was that Choctaw woman's name? A I don't recollect.  
Q Was it Jones' wife? A Yes.

By Judge Lewis:

- Q Was it Robert Jones' Indian wife that died close to Doakville?  
A Yes.

(Statement by Judge Lewis:)

She was a Chickasaw and her name was Susan Jones. She was a Colbert originally.)

By the Commission:

- Q You stated a few minutes ago that Mrs. Jones, whom you now state to be Susie Jones, was a Choctaw woman Indian? A I thought she was a Choctaw but Judge Lewis says she was a Chickasaw? A No.

By Mr. Maybubby: Pakahchi

- Q Are you sure that ~~you~~ sold this woman to Mrs. Jones? A Yes.  
Q Didn't he sell her to someone else? A No sir, I don't recollect him selling her to anyone else.



Exhibit 1161- 1163,  
1164- 1166.

Exhibit 1167- 1169.

By the Commission:

Q. Was this sold here before the war? A. Yes.

By Mr. Marshall: Didn't Eastman Loomis buy here? A. I don't know.

By Judge Lewis: Q. How long before that was then he sold here? A. I could not tell you because we were all small.

By the Commission: Q. Do you know where Mary Williams was born?

A. She was born in Maryland county in the Cherokee Nation.

Q. How long was she here? A. She was here for a long time. I don't know.

Q. This was at the close of the war? A. I don't remember whether she was here just at the close of the war.

Q. Do you know whether she ever lost the territory and went out?

A. No sir, I don't know.

Q. What was the name of the father of these four girls? A. Green Williams.

Q. Was he a Choctaw freedman? A. No sir.

Q. Is he living now? A. He is dead.

Q. Was he a Smith Chishaw freedman? A. No sir.

Q. What was his citizenship, do you know? A. He came from Texas.

Q. He did not claim any rights? A. No sir.

Choctaw 1161 1162  
1163 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TERR., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Nellie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, S. H. Lewis being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q Judge Lewis, do you know a woman by the name of Susie Jones? A No sir.
- Q Do you know whether there was such a person a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes, Robert Jones' second wife.
- Q Can you state where she was recognized as a member of the Chickasaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.
- Q Can you state whether Mary Williams, the mother of these applicants ever belonged to Susie Jones? A I don't know.

Brown McDonald being first sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported the testimony in full in the matter of the application for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Nellie Wright and Mary Williams, of the witnesses, Isaac Flint, Jennie Jones, and that the foregoing is a true transcript thereof.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

  
Acting Chairman.



Choc. Fr. 1163

Molly Wright

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**ENROLLMENT**  
**CHOCTAW FREEDMAN**

Molly Wright.

Fanny Lynch transferred from 17-D-226

May 29, 1905.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Record in the matter of the application for enrollment  
as a Choctaw Freedman of-

Fannie Lynch

17-D-228.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Molly Wright for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, said Molly Wright being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Molly Wright.  
Q How old are you? A 33 years old.  
Q Where do you live? A In Atoka, Ind.  
Q Where were you born? A Right here in Atoka.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since you were born?  
A Yes.  
Q Give your mother's name? A Mary Williams.  
Q Give your father's name? A Brown Williams.  
Q Are you a sister of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q Brown Williams is their father? A Yes.  
Q And Mary Williams is their mother? A Yes.  
Q Are you married? A Yes.  
Q What is your husband's name? A Tom Wright.  
Q Is he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q Is he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q He doesn't claim any rights? A No sir.  
Q Have you any children? A Yes.  
Q Give their names and ages? A Mary Wright, 3 years old.

Brown McDonald, being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported in full the testimony of the above named witness and the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of his notes.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Ind. Ter.

  
Acting Chairman.



Exhibit 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TERR., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Isom Flint being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Isom Flint.  
Q How old are you? A 76.  
Q Where were you born? A In Alabama.  
Q When did you come to the Choctaw Nation? A '55.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since that time? A Yes.  
Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you recognized by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are they to each other? A They are all sisters.  
Q They all have the same father? A Yes.  
Q And the same mother? A Yes.  
Q State the name of their father? A His name was Williams. Don't know his full name.  
Q Did you know him personally? A Well, I knew him here when I was passing through the country and saw him around Atoka.  
Q When do you remember of first seeing him? A When the M. K. & T. Railroad first came through here.  
Q What was in '71? A Somewhere along about there.  
Q You were not his neighbor? A No sir.  
Q Your acquaintance with him was very slight? A Yes.  
Q State now how long you have lived in the Choctaw Nation? A I came to the Choctaw Nation in '55.  
Q How long did you then remain? A Until six years ago last June I went to the Creek Nation.  
Q You went to the Creek Nation about '94, did you? A Yes.  
Q Do you know whether the father of these four applicants, Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, was an Indian or Choctaw Indian? A No sir, he was not.  
Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q Was he a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir.  
Q Was he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q State what his citizenship was if you know? A He was from Texas.  
Q Who was the mother of these applicants? A Her name is Mary Brown they call her.  
Q She was a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q What was the name of the master or the father of these girls? A Ned Brown.  
Q You state that Mary Brown was a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.  
Q Ned Brown was the owner of the mother of these applicants? A Yes.  
Q When did you first know her? A I knew her when she was a little child.  
Q In Alabama? A No sir.  
Q After you came to the Choctaw Nation? A She was born here.  
Q Did you know her intimately? A Yes.  
Q You do not remember the year you first became acquainted with her? A No sir.

Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.  
Page 1161-2.

Q Was it before or after the war? A Long before the war.

By Judge S. B. Lewis:

Q You state Ned Brown was a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Chickasaw.  
Q Didn't you state that he was a Choctaw? A He was in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Where did Ned Brown live? A He died in the Chickasaw Nation.

By Mr. Maytubby:

Q What part of the Chickasaw Nation? A Pennington.  
Q That Ned Brown you speak of—aren't you mistaken in the name? Are you sure it was Ned Brown? A It was Ned Brown.  
Q Lived on Pennington? A He lived between Pennington and Mill Creek.  
Q Didn't Ned Brown have an Indian name? A Wakahani.



Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TERR., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the applications of Louise Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Jennie James being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified as follows:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Jennie James.  
Q How old are you? A I don't know my age, sir.  
Q Where were you born? A Kiamish county, Choctaw Nation.  
Q Before or after the Civil war? A After peace was declared or before? A Before.  
Q Were you a slave? A Yes.  
Q Of a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you a Chickasaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louise Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are these four applicants to each other? A They are four sisters.  
Q Had the same father? A Yes.  
Q Had the same mother? A Yes.  
Q Have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation continuously since you were born? A Yes.  
Q What is the name of the mother of these applicants? A Mary Williams.  
Q What was her citizenship? A Chickasaw freedman.  
Q To whom did she belong? A She belonged to Ned Brown and when the old man died they were divided down to Doakville.  
Q Was Ned Brown a Chickasaw Indian, do you know? A Yes, he died at Tishomingo. I stayed with him until I was free and I came down to Boggy and he died since I came down here.  
Q What was his Indian name? A Pakahchi.  
Q Did Mary Williams, the mother of these children, belong to Ned Brown at the time peace was declared? A They were divided and she belonged to old Robert Jones' wife, a Choctaw woman.  
Q Did she belong to a Robert Jones' wife after Ned Brown owned her? A Yes.  
Q Did Ned Brown sell her to a Choctaw woman? A Yes.  
Q What was that Choctaw woman's name? A I don't recollect.  
Q But it was Jones was it? A Yes.

By Judge Lewis:

- Q Was it Robert Jones' Indian wife that died close to Doakville?  
A Yes.

(Statement by Judge Lewis:)

She was a Chickasaw and her name was Susan Jones? She was a Colbert originally.)

By the Commission:

- Q You stated a few minutes ago that Mrs. Jones, when you first stated to be Susie Jones, was a Choctaw woman Indian? A I thought she was a Choctaw but Judge Lewis says she was a Chickasaw? A No.

By Mr. Mayberry: Pakahchi

- Q Are you sure that gummy sold this woman to Mrs. Jones? A Yes.  
Q Didn't he sell her to someone else? A No sir, I don't recollect him selling her to anyone else.

Cheetaw 1163- 1164.  
1163- 1164.

Jennie James-2.

By the Commission:

Q Was that sale made before the war? A Yes.

By Mr. Maytubby: Didn't Eastman Leana buy her? A I don't know.

By Judge Lewis: Q How long before the war when he sold her? A I could not tell you because we were all small.

By the Commission: Q Do you know where Mary Williams was born? A She was born in Kiamiah county in the Choctaw Nation.

Q Do you know whether she was in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations in September, 1865? A I don't know, but I think she was down at Kiamiah.

Q This was at the close of the war-- do you remember whether she was here just at the close of the war? A I don't know.

Q Do you know whether she ever left the territory and went out? A No sir, I don't know.

Q What was the name of the father of these four girls? A Green Williams.

Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.

Q Is he living now? A He is dead.

Q Was he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.

Q What was his citizenship, do you know? A He came from Texas.

Q He did not claim any rights? A No sir.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOCA, IND. TERR., JUNE 8, 1906.

In the matter of the application of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Nellie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, W. B. Lewis being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q Judge Lewis, do you know a woman by the name of Susie Jones? A No sir.
- Q Do you know whether there was such a person a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes, Robert Jones' second wife.
- Q Can you state where she was recognized as a member of the Chickasaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.
- Q Can you state whether Mary Williams, the mother of these applicants ever belonged to Susie Jones? A I don't know.

Brown McDonald being first sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported the testimony in full in the matter of the application for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Nellie Wright and Mary Williams, of the witnesses, Isaac Flint, James James, and that the foregoing is a true transcript thereof.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June, 1906, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

*[Signature]*  
Acting Chairman.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
SOUTH McALESTRE, I.T. DEC. 30, 1902.

Original Choctaw Freedman.

In the matter of the application of Fannie Lynch for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Fannie Lynch being duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Fannie Lynch.  
Q What is your age? A Twenty five.  
Q What is your post office address? A South McAlester.  
Q Where were you born? A Boggy Depot.  
Q Have you always lived in the Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory?  
A Yes, all my life.  
Q What's the name of your father? A Green Williams; he's dead.  
Q Was he the slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, I think so.  
Q What was his owner's name? A I don't know.  
Q Is your mother living? A No sir.  
Q What was her name? A Mary Williams.  
Q Was she the slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What was her owner's name? A I don't know.  
Q You don't know the owners of either your father or mother? A No sir.  
Q How do you know then that you are a Choctaw Freedman? A I know by what she told me.  
Q Where was your mother living at the time she was freed? A I don't know whether it was Boggy Depot or what.  
Q Where was your father living at the time he was freed? A I don't know sir.  
Q Did your mother and father always live in the Choctaw Nation, in Indian Territory? A Yes, ever since I knew anything about it; my father died when I was small and I don't know much about him.  
Q You don't know anything about the owners of either of your parents?  
A No sir, I know the time that I registered that his name was Jim Colbert- when I registered 7 years ago, Mr. Telle knows.  
Q Have you got Mr. Telle here as a witness? A I don't know. They always told me- my mother told me that her owner was a Choctaw Indian.  
Q Where did you register and whom did you go before? A I don't know who it was; it was at Atoka.  
Q You have never been before the Commission before? A No sir, Mr. Telle told me to write to Muskogee, and I couldn't come three years ago, I was sick.  
Q You know positively nothing about the Choctaw Indian owners of your father and mother were? A No sir.  
Q Have you any witnesses to bring before the Commission to tell you they were? A Not here, I have heard told that they were Choctaw Indians.  
Q Who told you? A My mother when she was living; after she died- I don't know.  
Q Have you got any living witnesses to testify that your parents were owned by Choctaw Indians? A Not here.  
Q Have you any papers or anything to show that? A I don't know.

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anything about that.

Q Is that all you have to say about your case? A That's all I know.

Henry G. Hains being sworn on his oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in full the proceedings had in the above entitled cause on December 24, 1902 and that this is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes in same.

Henry G. Hains

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of November 1902.

Charles H. Sawyer

Notary Public.

Original

Department of the Interior  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.  
South McAlester, Indian Territory.  
December 24, 1902.

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Additional testimony in the matter of the application  
of Fannie Lynch for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Mollie Wright being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Mollie Wright.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-three.  
Q What is your post office address? A Atoka, I.T.  
Q Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q You are related to Fannie Lynch? A Yes, sir.  
Q What relation? A Sister.  
Q Full sister? A Yes, sir.  
Q Same father and same mother? A Yes, sir.  
Q What is the name of your father? A Green Williams.  
Q Choctaw Freedman or a statesman? A State man.  
Q Your mother is a Choctaw Freedman? A Yes, sir.  
Q Is she living? A No, sir, dead.  
Q Who owned her? A Harrison Loman.  
Q Was he a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir, I think he was.  
Q I don't want to know what you think, I want to know? A I didn't know him but my mother said he was.  
Q You were born free were you? A Yes, sir.  
Q Are you older than your sister? A Yes, sir.  
Q She was born free was she? A Yes, sir.  
Q Now in this matter of application in 1900 on the 8th of June you testified that your mother's owner was Susan Jones? A No, sir, I didn't I just went up and gave my name.  
Q The record shows that your mother's owner was Susan Jones, now you say it was Harrison Lowman, how do you explain that?  
A That is what my mother always said, I don't know anything about Susan Jones.  
Q You say you never heard of a person named Susan Jones? A No, sir, I never that might have been his wife's name.  
Q Do you know a person named Mary Wilson? A My sister Mary Wilson, Yes, sir, and my mother was named that too.  
Q Do you know Catherine Jones? A Yes, sir.  
Q Is she kin to you? A Yes, sir, my sister.  
Q Do you know Louisa? A Yes, sir.  
Q Sister also? A Yes, sir.  
Q These persons are applicants for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen? A Yes, sir.

The evidence in this case shows that the Choctaw Indian who owned these people was Susan Jones, now you come up and make claim that your mother Mary Wilson was a slave of a Choctaw Indian named Harrison Lowman.

- Q How long has your mother been dead? A Fifteen years.



Q Do you know what county she lived in when she was a slave?  
A In Lincoln. This was the county she was from.  
Q You always heard that she lived near Rockville in the Cherokee  
Nation? A Yes, sir.

On this 11th day of January, 1903, being first duly sworn, states that  
as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he  
reported the proceedings held in the above entitled cause, and that  
the foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his steno-  
graphic notes taken at said cause on said date.

*Edw. D. Duff*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11th day of January 1903.

*Charles H. Hickey*  
Notary Public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
ATOKE, INDIAN TERRITORY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment  
of Fannie Lynch as a freedman of the Choctaw nation. 17-D-228.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment  
of Vioey Andrews and her children, Fanny, Green and Ralph  
Andrews, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation. 17-1435.

Vioey Andrews, being first duly sworn upon her oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Vioey Andrews.  
Q How old are you? A Thirty-eight.  
Q What is your post office? A Wells, Texas.  
Q Have you got any children? A Got one.  
Q One child living? A Yes sir, one child living.  
Q What is that child's name? A Fanny Andrews, she is  
living now.  
Q When did Green Andrews die? A He died about two or  
three years ago, I do not know exactly.  
Q Has now been three years? A Little over two years.  
Q He died then before September 25, 1902? A Yes sir.  
Q Is Ralph Andrews living? A No sir, dead.  
Q When? A About three years.  
Q What relation are you to Fannie Lynch? A Full sister.  
Q Same mother and father? A Yes sir.  
Q What is your mother's name? A Mary Williams.  
Q Was Mary Williams a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What was that Choctaw Indian's name? A Eastman Loman.  
Q Was Eastman Loman a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q Is your father a white man? A Yes sir.  
Q You claim your rights through your mother?  
A Yes sir.  
Q Where have you been living all your life? A Living here.  
Q Where? A At Atoka.  
Q How long? A All my life, except about a year or two  
ago.  
Q You moved away from Atoka about a year or two ago?  
A I stayed there awhile and then here; this is my home,  
yes sir.

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Q Atoka your home? A Yes sir.  
Q How long did you live in Texas? A I do not know, sir.  
Q Have you not been living in Texas for the last six or seven years? A No sir, not for that long; my husband is there.  
Q Where is your home in Texas or the Choctaw Nation? A In the Choctaw nation.  
Q Has your home always been in Texas? A No sir, always in the Territory.  
Q You never have lived in Texas as your home? A No sir.  
Q What were you doing there? A Stayed there with him some times.  
Q The Territory is your home? A Yes sir, I count this is my home.

Fanny Lynch, being first duly sworn upon her oath,  
testifies as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Fannie Lynch.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-seven my next birthday.  
Q Where have you been living? A South McAlester.  
Q How long? A Last two years, going on three.  
Q Did you ever live in Texas? A Yes sir, I have lived in Texas.  
Q How long ago? A About seven years ago. I went to Texas when I was sixteen and stayed there two and one-half years and came back to the Choctaw nation.  
Q Since you came back you have lived in the Choctaw Nation all the time? A Yes sir. Lived at Wapanucka and then to Muskogee, then to South McAlester up here.  
Q How long have you been living continuously in the Indian Territory? A All my life. Continuously for three years in March.  
Q Where were you living on June 28, 1896? A I was in Texas at my sister's house.  
Q You were in Texas then? A Yes sir.  
Q Was that your home or visiting your sister? A I was visiting my sister and only stayed three months then.  
Q Have you considered the Choctaw nation your home all your life and when out of the Choctaw nation simply to visit?  
A Yes sir.  
Q You did not go there to live? A When I worked there, called myself living there.

17-D-228.-3.  
17-1438.-3.

Charlie Moses, being first duly sworn upon his oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Charlie Moses.  
Q How old are you? A Fifty-three.  
Q Are you a Choctaw freedman? A Yes sir. Choctaw Indian.  
Q Are you a recognized and enrolled Choctaw Indian? A Yes  
sir.  
Q On the final roll? A Yes sir.  
Q Do you know the applicants, Vioey Andrews and Fannie  
Lynch? A Yes sir.  
Q How long have you known these girls? A Known them ever  
since their birth. Known Vioey since six or seven years old.  
Q Did you know the mother of these applicants? A Yes sir.  
Q What was her name? A Mary Williams.  
Q Was Mary Williams a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What was his name? A That I do not know, only what  
I have heard.  
Q The father of these applicants is Green Williams and he is  
a state man? A Yes sir.  
Q What do you know about the Choctaw owner of Mary Williams?  
A I do not know anything.

William Burney, being first duly sworn upon his oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A William Burney.  
Q Are you a Choctaw freedman? A Chickasaw freedman.  
Q Do you know Mary Williams? A Yes sir.  
Q Is Mary Williams a Choctaw freedman? A Yes sir.  
Q Who was her master? A Master was a foreign man not of  
my tongue.  
Q People she belonged to were Choctaw Indians? A A foreign  
man.  
Q Did you know the father of these applicants? A Yes sir.  
Q What is his name? A Green Williams.  
Q A state man? A Yes sir.



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17-1435.-4.

Fannie Lynch, being recalled, testified as follows:

Q Have you any brothers and sisters? A Yes sir, Nellie Wright, Catherine Jackson and Lou Wells are my full sisters and on the final roll approved by the Secretary of the Interior and same filed on land and all been living in same place we have in this town.

Daisy D. Daubin upon oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes thereof.

*Daisy D. Daubin*

Sworn to before me this the 22 day of September,  
A.D., 1904.

*M. D. Martin*

Notary Public.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Fannie Lynch as a Choctaw Freedman.

--: D E C I S I O N :--

It appears from the record herein that on December 24, 1902, application was made to this Commission for the enrollment of Fannie Lynch as a Choctaw Freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter of said application at Atoka, Indian Territory, on September 7, 1904.

It further appears from the record herein that the applicant is a daughter of Mary Williams (now deceased), who was the slave of Susan Jones, a recognized Choctaw citizen, during and at the close of the War of the Rebellion, and that the applicant is a full sister of Mollie Wright (who also claims through the said Mary Williams), a recognized and enrolled Choctaw Freedman, whose name appears as number 3686 upon the lists prepared by this Commission under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, (32 Stat., 641) of persons entitled to enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior September 26, 1903; that the applicant was born in the Choctaw Nation about the year 1877, and has resided therein continuously since the date of her birth up to and including September 25, 1902.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that Fanny Lynch should be enrolled as a Choctaw Freedman, in accordance with the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898, (30 Stat., 495), and July 1, 1902, (32 Stat., 641), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

  
Chairman.

  
Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

MAY 13 1905

  
Commissioner.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 13, 1905.

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Fannie Lynch,

Smith McAlester, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered May 13, 1905, granting the application for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling you as a Choctaw freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, your name will be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamc Fixby*

Registered.  
Incls. 17-D-222

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 13, 1908.

Manerfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission rendered May 13, 1908, granting the application for the enrollment of Fannie Lynch as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicant as a Choctaw freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, her name will be placed upon the final rolls of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tams Bixby*

Registered.  
Incl. 17-D-228

Chairman.

See 17-D-93 for registry receipt for this letter.

17-D-228.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 20, 1904.

Fannie Lynch,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

The Commission will hold a session at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka, Indian Territory, September 6-7, 1904 and at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo, Indian Territory, September 8-9, 1904.

If you so desire, you may appear at one of the above named appointments, together with such witnesses as you may be able to procure, for the purpose of testifying relative to your right to enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, or you may appear at the general office of the Commission, Muskogee, Indian Territory, at any time.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Cherry Hill  
Mary Williams

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND., TER., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Mary Williams for enrollment as a member of the Choctaw freedman, Catherine Jackson being sworn by Acting Chairman Sixty, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q How old is Mary? A 16 years old.  
Q Where was she born? A Right here in Atoka.  
Q When did she leave the Choctaw Nation? A About two months ago.  
Q She's not living up there-- she lives with me.  
Q Is she a sister of Elizabeth Louisa Williams, Mollie Wright and yourself? A Yes.  
Q Give her mother's name? A Mary Williams.  
Q Her father's? A Green Williams.  
Q Is she married? A No sir.  
Q Has no children? A No sir.

The roll of Choctaw freedmen made in '88 by the Choctaw tribal authorities is examined and the names of Molly Williams is found No. 1525, and the name of Mary Williams No. 1526.

Brown McDonald, being sworn by Acting Chairman Sixty, says that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in full the testimony of the above named witness and the foregoing is a true and correct transcript of his notes.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

*[Signature]*  
Acting Chairman.



Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CITILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TER., JUNE 8, 1906.

In the matter of the applications of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, Isom Flint being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified:

By the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Isom Flint.  
Q How old are you? A 75.  
Q Where were you born? A In Alabama.  
Q When did you come to the Choctaw Nation? A '33.  
Q Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since that time? A Yes.  
Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q Are you recognized by the tribal authorities of the Choctaw Nation as a Choctaw freedman? A Yes.  
Q Do you know Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams? A Yes.  
Q What relation are they to each other? A They are all sisters.  
Q They all have the same father? A Yes.  
Q And the same mother? A Yes.  
Q State the name of their father? A His name was Williams. Don't know his full name.  
Q Did you know him personally? A Well, I knew him here when I was passing through the country and saw him around Atoka.  
Q When do you remember of first seeing him? A When the M. K. & T. Railroad first came through here.  
Q That was in '71? A Somewhere along about there.  
Q You were not his neighbor? A No sir.  
Q Your acquaintance with him was very slight? A Yes.  
Q State now how long you have lived in the Choctaw Nation? A I came to the Choctaw Nation in '33.  
Q How long did you then remain? A Until six years ago last June I went to the Creek Nation.  
Q You went to the Creek Nation about '94, did you? A Yes.  
Q Do you know whether the father of these four applicants, Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, was an Indian a Choctaw Indian? A No sir, he was not.  
Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q Was he a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir.  
Q Was he a Chickasaw freedman? A No sir.  
Q State what his citizenship was if you know? A He was from Texas.  
Q Who was the mother of these applicants? A Her name is Mary Brown they call her.  
Q She was a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes.  
Q What was the name of the master of the mother of these girls?  
A. Ned Brown.  
Q You state that Mary Brown was a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.  
Q Ned Brown was the owner of the mother of these applicants? A Yes.  
Q When did you first meet her? A I knew her when she was a little girl.  
Q Where? A No sir.  
Q How did she come to the Choctaw Nation? A She was born here.  
Q How did you know her intimately? A Yes.  
Q Do you remember the year you first became acquainted with her?  
A No sir.



Choctaw 1161, 1162,  
1163, 1164.

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Q Was it before or after the war? A Long before the war.

By Judge S. B. Lewis:

Q You state Ned Brown was a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A Chickasaw.

Q Didn't you state that he was a Choctaw? A He was in the Choctaw Nation.

Q Where did Ned Brown live? A He lived in the Chickasaw Nation.

By Mr. Maytubby:

Q What part of the Chickasaw Nation? A Pennington.

Q That Ned Brown you speak of, aren't you mistaken in the name? Are you sure it was Ned Brown? A It was Ned Brown.

Q Lived on Pennington? A He lived between Pennington and Mill Creek.

Q Didn't Ned Brown have an Indian name? A Pakahchi.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, IND. TERR., JUNE 8, 1900.

In the matter of the application of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, S. R. Lewis being sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, testified

By the Commission:

- Q Judge Lewis, do you know a woman by the name of Sisie Jones? A No sir.
- Q Do you know whether there was such a person a Chickasaw Indian? A Yes, Robert Jones' second wife.
- Q Can you state where she was recognized as a member of the Chickasaw tribe of Indians by blood? A Yes.
- Q Can you state whether Mary Williams, the mother of these applicants ever belonged to Sisie Jones? A I don't know.

Brown McDonald being first sworn by Acting Chairman Bixby, says that as Stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported the testimony in full in the matter of the application for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Louisa Williams, Catherine Jackson, Mollie Wright and Mary Williams, of the witness on, Isom Flint, Jennie James, and that the foregoing is a true transcript thereof.

*Brown McDonald*

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 8th day of June, 1900, at Atoka, Indian Territory.

  
Acting Chairman.

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Saltm. Bailey

In the matter of the application of Richard Arnold, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman, and being first duly sworn by Commissioner T. B. Needles, testified as follows:

Q What is your name? A Richard Arnold.

Q Got any children? A Yes sir, two.

Q What are their names? A Elliard and Sallie.

Q How old is Elliard? A About 22 years.

Q Was he married? A No sir, but my daughter is married.

Her name is Sallie Bailey. She has been married about four years.

Q What County do you live in? A Red River County.

Q You have never been sold out of the country? A No sir.

Q Any body here know you? A Yes sir, lots of people.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testifies as follows in behalf of Richard Arnold.

Q What is your name? A Lin Colbert.

Q Do you know this man Richard Arnold? A Yes sir.

Q How long? A I couldn't tell you how long, ever since he was a boy.

Q Do you know his father? A No sir, but I knew his mistress and master when they came to this country.

Q Who were they? A They were the Leflores, I think the old lady's name was Susan. I have known them ever since they have been in this country.

Q Was this boy their slave? A Yes sir.

Q How long have you lived in this country? A Always, a short time after the Choctaws moved, I came to this country and have



been here ever since, right with them, and know most every  
body around here.

Q You know this man is a Choctaw citizen? A Yes sir, I do.

Louis Perkins being duly sworn, testifies as follows,  
in behalf of Richard Arnold.

Q What is your name? A Louis Perkins.

Q Do you know Richard Arnold's wife? A Yes sir.

Q What is her name? A We always called her Mary.

Q What was her name before she married Mr. Arnold? A Mrs. Smith.

Q Had she been a slave? A She was too young I think.

Q Who was her mother? A Oinda Laflore before she married  
my brother.

Q Who was her master? A John Laflore. I was not acquainted  
with her people.

Q You don't know whether her mother was a slave or not?

A No sir, only what my brother says.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testifies as follows in  
behalf of wife of Richard Arnold.

Q Do you know Mr. Arnold's wife? A Yes sir.

Q Who was her mother? A Patsy Leflore.

Q Did she pass for a Choctaw? A She was a slave for them  
people when they came to this country.

(Enrolled as Choctaws)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as stenographer to  
above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full  
and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

(Signed)

W. A. MILLER.



I, Kate De Bora, stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, do hereby certify that the foregoing pages numbered one and two, is a true and correct copy of the originals on file in the office of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 4, 1901.

*Kate De Bora*

Subscribed and affirmed to before me

this 5th day of June, 1901.

*J. L. Robinson*  
Notary Public.

Department of the Interior.  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.  
Garvin, I. T., November 27th, 1902.

Choctaw Freedman  
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In the matter of the application of Sallie Bailey for the enrollment of her three minor children, Richard, Mattie and Ethard Bailey as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation.

Sallie Bailey being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Sallie Bailey.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-seven.  
Q What is your post office address? A Garvin.  
Q How long have you lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Well, I have been here not quite two years.  
Q You claim to be a freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q Are you married? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your husband? A Anderson Bailey.  
Q Is he a freedman? A No sir, he isn't a citizen.  
Q How many children have you got? A Three.  
Q What are their names? A Oldest one is Richard Bailey.  
Q How old is he? A He's six years old.  
Q What is the name of the next one? A Mattie Bailey.  
Q How old is she? A Mattie, now she's three years old.  
Q What is the next one? A Ethard Bailey.  
Q How old is she? A Little over a year old.  
Q Is Ethard a boy? A Yes sir.  
Q When did you appear before the Commission and make application for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Well, my father told me that he put me on the roll at Sulphur Springs.  
Q Did you ever appear before the Commission yourself? A No sir.  
Q Your father enrolled you? A Yes sir.  
Q How does it come that these children were not enrolled?  
A Well, I didn't see about that until I went up to enroll them; started last year; this little girl Mattie I enrolled her last year.  
Q Why didn't you attend to the other children at the same time?  
A I wasn't here.  
Q When you enrolled her? A I was away then.  
Q When you attended to the enrollment of Mattie why didn't you mention the other children? A Well I did, but the baby was not born then and this boy they told me I didn't have to enroll him my more.  
Q Who told you that? A The notary public, and that's why I didn't attend to him when I attended to this little girl.  
Q Did you think that your father had already enrolled Richard?

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- A Well, he went before a notary public and had a letter written to the Dawes Commission, that's why they asked me had he been enrolled and I told them yes my father enrolled him; I thought my father enrolled him.
- Q Have you ever attempted to enroll the youngest child Ethard?
- A Yes sir, before Dr. Denison at Shawneetown; put in application for him when he was a month old.
- Q What did you do with that application? A I don't know sir what he did do with that; I never did get any answer.
- Q Did you send it to the Dawes Commission? A He did, I guess he did; I never did get any answer.
- Q When did you first find out that Richard had never been enrolled?
- A Well, I didn't know for certain he had not been enrolled until yesterday.
- Q Did you always think that he had been enrolled by your father?
- A Yes sir, that's why I didn't have him enrolled.

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Albert G. McMillan being first duly sworn states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported the proceedings had in the above entitled cause on the 27th day of November, 1902, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in said cause on said date.

*Albert G. McMillan*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of January, 1903.

*Charles H. Sawyer*

Notary Public.

*Not*

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**Marriage License**

Andersen Bailey

AND

Jallie Shelton

Issued the Aug 3 day of

1895- 1900

W B Kavanaugh

Clark County Court Laramie Co.

By W F Bell Deputy

Filed the day of

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Clark County Court Co.

By Deputy

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

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To any Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, Judge District  
or County Court, or any Justice Peace in and for County Greeling:

You are hereby Authorized to Solemnize the

**rites of MATRIMONY**

Between Mr. Anderson Bailey and  
Miss Sallie Shelton

Seal

and make due return to the Clerk of the County Court  
of said County, within sixty days thereafter, certifying  
your action under this license.

*Witness* my official signature and seal of office  
at office in Paris the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of Aug 1885-~~1884~~

W.B. Kavanaugh

Clerk of County Court

Lamar

County

By W F Hill

Deputy

I F Collins hereby certify that on the 4 day of ~~July~~<sup>Aug</sup> 1885-~~1884~~  
I united in Marriage Mr Anderson Bailey  
and Miss Sallie Shelton the parties above named.

*Witness* my hand this 4 day of Aug 1885-~~1884~~  
F Collins

Returned and filed for record the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1885-~~1884~~  
and recorded the 8<sup>th</sup> day of Aug 1885-~~1884~~

J.N. Blair

Deputy

W.B. Kavanaugh

County Clerk



The State of Texas  
Lamar County

I Dee Thompson Clerk County Court  
Lamar County do hereby certify  
that the within ofengair contains  
a true copy of the original marriage license issued  
to Anderson Bailey & Nellie Shellen and the return  
or endorsements thereon as appears on file in my office  
and also of Record in Book 14 page 458 marriage  
Records.

Given under my hand and seal of office  
at Paris June 5--1901

Dee Thompson co Clerk  
By D. H. Kelley off-

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Marriage License

Anderson Bailey

AND

Nellie Shellen

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Mattie Bailey*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

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Approved.

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*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chactaw Nation,  
of Mattie Bailey, born on the 29 day of May, 1899  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Anderson Bailey, a citizen of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation.  
Name of Mother: Sallie Bailey, a citizen of the Chactaw Nation.

Post-office,

Foulerville

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Centret District.

I, Sallie Bailey, on oath state that I am 26  
years of age and a citizen, by Adas Lal, of the Chactaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Anderson Bailey, who is a citizen, by  
\_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation; that a girl child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 29 day of May, 1899, that said child has been  
named Mattie Bailey, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

J W Stanley  
L P Woodard

Sallie BaileySubscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of July, 1901.

H L Fowler  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Centret District.

I, Anderson Bailey, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Sallie Bailey, wife of Anderson Bailey  
on the 29 day of May, 1899, that there was born to her on  
said date a girl child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Mattie Bailey.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

J W Stanley  
L P Woodard

Anderson BaileySubscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of July, 1901.

H L Fowler  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD.

*Edward Bailey*

as a citizen of the

*Choctaw* Nation.

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Commissioner.

*Proof of birth of child for whom  
application was made Nov 27-02*

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation,  
 of Ethard Bailey, born on the 12 day of Aug, 1901  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Anderson Bailey, a citizen of the non-Cit Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Sallie Bailey, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.  
 Post-Office: Garvin, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

United States of America. }  
 Indian Territory. }  
 Central District. }

I, Sallie Bailey, on oath state that I am 27 years  
 of age and a citizen by birth of the Cherokee Nation; That I  
 am the lawful wife of Anderson Bailey who is a citizen by  
birth of the Cherokee Nation, that male child was born to  
 me on the 12 day of August, 1901; that said child has been  
 named Ethard Bailey, and is now living.

Witness to Mark:

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of November, 1902.

G. J. Sawyer  
 Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF A

United States

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
 INDIAN TERRITORY. }  
Central District. }

I, Dr. Ben L. Denison, a Physician, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Sallie Bailey, wife of Anderson Bailey,  
 on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1901; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named Ethard Bailey.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two)  
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15 day of January, 1903.

Simon Taylor  
 Notary Public.



17-1165

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation,  
 of Ethard Bailey, born on the 17 day of Aug., 1901  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Anderson Bailey, a citizen of the non-Cit. Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Sallie Bailey, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.  
 Post-Office: Garvin, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

Sallie Bailey, on oath state that I am 27  
 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Cherokee Nation;  
 I am the lawful wife of Anderson Bailey, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the United States Nation, that a Male child was  
(Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 17 day of August, 1901; that said child has been  
 named Ethard Bailey, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(By Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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day of

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Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Dr. Ben L. Denison, a Physician, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Sallie Bailey, wife of Anderson Bailey,  
 on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1901; that there was born to her on said  
 date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named Ethard Bailey.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District. }

I, Sallie Bailey, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen, by Friedman Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Anderson Bailey, who is a citizen, by  
United States Nation, that a Male child was  
(Male or female.)  
born to me on the 20 day of July, 1896; that said child has been  
named Richard Bailey, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

15 day of

January 1903  
Simon Taylor  
Notary Public.

IN RE

*Death Proof*

INFANT CHILD

*Minnie Northam,*

as a citizen of

*United States* Nation

Approved

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Commissioner.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

*Death of Minnie Northam*  
 IN RE *Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the United States*  
*Post Office Paris, Texas* *born on the* *some four years ago.*  
 (here insert name of child.)

Name of Father: a citizen of the Nation.

Name of Mother: a citizen of the Nation.

Post-office *Paris Texas*(AFFIDAVIT OF *Grand Daughter*)

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Central*

District.

I, *Sallie Bailey*, on oath state that I am *27*  
*freeman* years of age and a citizen, by *Adoption*, of the *Choctaw* Nation;

*Post Office Paris, Texas* That I am Grand Daughter of *Minnie Northam* who is a citizen, by

*Minnie Northam* Nation; that a *Wife* (male or female.) child was

*born to me on* *some four years ago* + *she died* (that said child has been

*at Paris Texas*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

*Sallie Bailey*Subscribed and sworn to before me this *15* day of *January* 190*3*.

*Simon Taylor*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

AFFIDAVIT OF *Attendant* PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Central*

District.

I, *Richard Arnold*, on oath state that I  
*am about 45 years of age* *Office - Garvin Co*

*I am acquainted with Minnie Northam, and she died some*

*four years ago - she died at Paris, Tex* (male or female) and is now living and is said to have been

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

*Richard Arnold*  
*Mark*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *15* day of *January* 190*3*.

*Simon Taylor*  
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United States of America.  
Indian Territory,  
Central District.

I, Sallie Bailey, on oath state that I am 27 years  
of age and a citizen by birth of the Choctaw Nation; That I  
am the lawful wife of Andrew Bailey, who is a citizen by  
birth of the Choctaw Nation; that a male child was born to  
me on the 21 day of July, 1896; that said child has been  
named William T. Bailey, and is now living.  
Witness my hand and seal of office at Okfuskee, Indian Territory, this 21 day of July, 1896.  
Sallie Bailey

Submitted and sworn to before me this 26 day of November, 1908.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public.

ATTENDANT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR NURSE.

United States of America.  
Indian Territory.  
Central District.

I stated on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 19\_\_\_\_, that there was born to her on said date a \_\_\_\_\_ child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named \_\_\_\_\_.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of November, 1902.

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In re Application for  
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Richard Watkins as  
a Freedman of the  
Choctaw Nation

Approved MAR 10 1903

Commissioner  
affidavits relative to the  
birth of a minor child for  
whose enrollment application  
was made at Garrettsville  
Nov. 27, 1902.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
INDIAN TERRITORY, )  
\_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRICT. )

I, Isaac Johnson, on oath state  
that I am 42 years (of age; and am personally acquainted  
with Sallie Bailey, and know that on July 30, 1896, there was born  
to her a male child; that said child is now living and said to have  
been named Richard Bailey.

Isaac Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of  
February 1903.

D. J. Bance  
Notary Public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
DISTRICT.

I, Lizzie Shults, on oath state  
that I am 1 years of age; and am personally acquainted  
with Sallie Bailey, and know that on July 30, 1893, there was born  
to her a male child; that said child is now living and said to have  
been named Richard Bailey.

Witnesses } Myrtle Barnes <sup>711426</sup> Lizzie Shults  
                  } her  
                  } for

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24 day of  
Feb. 1903.

M. L. Barnes  
Notary Public.

COMMISSIONERS  
HARRY L. DAWES,  
TAMM DIXIEY,  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,  
C. M. BRACKENRIDGE.

ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH,  
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 17, 1901.

Mr. H. L. Fowler,

Notary Public,

Fowlerville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th inst., enclosing an application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Mallie Bailey, the infant daughter of Anderson and Sallie Bailey, born May 29, 1899, and the same is hereby returned to you for the following reasons:

You are informed that the Commission is unable to identify Sallie Bailey as a Choctaw freedman. You are requested to inform the Commission when and where she appeared for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, stating the names of other members of the family with whom she was enrolled, and such other information as you may be able to furnish that will enable the Commission to identify her as a Choctaw freedman.

You are further informed that the rules of the Commission require that the notary public taking the acknowledgments of the mother, the attending physician or nurse, must affix his notarial seal and jurat to each separate affidavit. The Commission is unable to understand your reason for signing your name as a notary public without attaching your notarial seal.

It is stated in your letter that you are unable to furnish affidavit from the midwife, as she is said to be a resident of Paris Texas. If the parents of this child are lawfully married the Commission suggests that the husband execute the affidavit of attending physician or midwife if he was present at the birth of the child.

It will also be necessary in the matter of the application for the enrollment of this child as a Choctaw freedman, that either the original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, between the parents of this child be furnished the Commission.

Upon return of the application properly executed, together with the information requested herein, and either the original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, between the parents of this child, the matter of the application for its enrollment will receive further consideration.

Your letter also contained a request for blank applications for the enrollment of infant children. Six blanks of such description have been sent you this day under separate cover.

Yours truly,

*James L. Bailey*  
Acting Chairman.



Langston, Indian Territory, July 12, 1901.

Mr. H. E. Penley,

Cherokee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of recent date, relative to the enrollment of Nellie Bailey as a Native American. You state in your letter that this woman claims to have been enrolled by the Commissioner at Muskogee, Indian Territory, and is the daughter of Richard Arnold.

The information contained in your letter has enabled me to make an attempt to identify this woman as having been listed for enrollment as a Native American.

It has been found that the Commissioner has application for the enrollment of Nellie Bailey returned to you on May 17, 1901, and the matter will receive proper attention.

Very truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1160

Muskegee, Indian Territory, July 30, 1901.

Mr. E. L. Fowler,  
Fowlerville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 13th instant, in which you state that some time since you forwarded to this office the application for the enrollment of Mallie Bailey, the daughter of Sallie Bailey who has been listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, and that you have heard nothing further regarding such application.

Your attention is invited to our letter of the 13th instant, notifying you that we had been able to identify Sallie Bailey as listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and requesting you to again forward the application for the enrollment of Mallie Bailey returned to you on May 17, 1901. The application for the enrollment of Mallie Bailey has never been received at this office since its return to you on May 17, 1901.

Yours truly,

17-1168

Commissioner in Charge.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 30, 1901.

Mr. Anderson Bailey,

Carey W. L. Fowler, Notary Public,

Fowlerville, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Mattie Bailey, the infant daughter of Anderson and Nellie Bailey, born May 30, 1894, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the marriage license and certificate between Anderson Bailey and Miss Nellie Shelton, dated August 4, 1898, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission.

You are informed that the records of the Commission show that your wife was listed for enrollment under the name of Nellie Bailey, and at the time application was made for her enrollment, the evidence on file shows that she was the daughter of Richard Arnold. You are requested to state if the person named in the marriage license as Nellie Shelton, is the same person who is listed for enrollment as Nellie Bailey, and if so to state whether or not she was ever married.

to a person by the name of Shelton. You are also requested to state  
the name of your wife's mother. Please give this matter prompt  
attention.

Yours truly,

W. J. L.

Acting Chairman

Langage, Indian Territory, August 15, 1901.

Mr. Anderson Bailey,

Nowierville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 8th instant, in reply to communication addressed to you by this office under date of July 20, 1901 requesting information relative to the maiden name of your wife, Ballie Bailey, which appears in your marriage license as Ballie Shelton. You state that Ballie Shelton, the person named in the marriage license and certificate and Ballie Bailey listed for enrollment as a Cherokee Freedman are one and the same person, and that she had never been married to a man named Shelton. You state that the name of your wife's mother was Mattie Arnold.

You are informed that your letter does not explain satisfactorily to the Commission the reason for the name of your wife appearing in the marriage certificate as Ballie Shelton in view of the statement made by you, that she was the daughter of Mattie and Richard Arnold, and you are again requested to



Anderson Bailey-48.

Inform this office why her name appears in your marriage  
license as Nellie Shelton. Please give this matter prompt  
attention.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 6, 1906

Callie Bailey,

Garvin, Indian Territory

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 22nd, giving your correct name before your marriage, and the information contained in your letter has been duly filed with the records of this office.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 8, 1903.

Anderson Bailey,

Garvin, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to the applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Richard and Edward Bailey, minor sons of Anderson and Sallie Bailey, born July 20, 1896 and August 12, 1901, respectively, you are informed that it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with the affidavits of the attending physician or midwife as to the birth of these children, and the fact that they are still living, blanks for which purpose are herewith enclosed you.

In having same executed, be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in event either of the persons whose names are to be affixed to the affidavits are unable to write, and their signatures are by mark, such signatures must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

The notary public before whom the same are acknowledged must affix his notarial jurat and seal to each separate affidavit.

This matter should receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

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Acting Chairman.

17-1163.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 10, 1903.

Sallie Bailey.

Care Simon Taylor,

Garvin, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

It appears from our records that on November 26, 1902, there was received at this office the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Ethard Bailey, infant son of Anderson and Sallie Bailey, born August 12, 1901; at which time only the affidavit of the mother as to the birth of this child was furnished the Commission.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 15, 1903, enclosing the affidavit of the attending physician as to the birth of Ethard Bailey, August 12, 1901; and the application now being complete and in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

It further appears from our records that on November 26, 1902, application was made for the enrollment as a Choctaw freedman

of Richard Bailey, infant son of Anderson and Sallie Bailey, born July 30, 1908; at which time only the affidavit of the mother relative to the birth of said child was furnished the Commission.

It is stated in your letter that the attending midwife is dead, and you enclose affidavits relative thereto.

You are advised that the attending midwife being dead, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with the affidavits of two disinterested parties who know of the birth of this child, and the fact that it is still living, blanks for that purpose being enclosed you herewith.

Upon return of the affidavits properly executed, the application for the enrollment of the above named child will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskegon, Indian Territory. March 11, 1903.

Adair and Barnes,

Attorneys at Law.

Garvin, Indian Territory.

Sirs:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged to your letter of February 4, 1903, enclosing affidavits of Isaac Johnson and Linnie Shelton, relative to the birth of Richard Bailey minor son of Nellie Bailey, July 20, 1902, and the same have been duly filed with our records as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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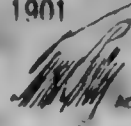
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Coburn - all of the Choctaw  
Nation -

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Isaac Green*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

DEC 23 1901

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*C. H. McDaniel*  
Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Isaac Guest (Col), born on the 16th day of July, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Charley Guest (Col), a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Ida Guest (Col), a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-office, Nelson J. I.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory  
Central District.

I, Ida Guest, on oath state that I am Eighteen  
years of age and a citizen, by Birth, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Charley Guest, who is a citizen, by  
Birth, of the Choctaw Nation, that a male child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 16th day of July, 1901; that said child has been  
named Isaac Guest, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

My commission Expires April 16, 1902

5th day of November, 1901.  
E. A. Brown  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory  
Central District.

I, Lycie Hunter, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Ida Guest, wife of Charley Guest,  
on the 16th day of July, 1901, that there was born to her on  
said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named Isaac Guest.  
(male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

My commission Expires April 16, 1902

5th day of November, 1901.  
E. A. Brown  
NOTARY PUBLIC

CHOCTAW FREEDMEN.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*John Green*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation

Approved:

DEC 23 1901

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*C. R. Bucknidge*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

I, *Ida Guesst* (Col.), Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation,  
of *Ida Guesst* (Col.), born on the *16th* day of *July*, 1901.  
(Here insert date of birth.)  
Name of Father: *Charley Guesst* (Col.), citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Ida Guesst* (Col.), a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
Post-office, *Atkinson, S. I.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,  
*Atkinson, S. I., Central* District.

I, *Ida Guesst*, on oath state that I am *eighteen*  
years of age and a citizen, by *Birth*, of the *Choctaw* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Charley Guesst*, who is a citizen, by  
*Birth*, of the *Choctaw* Nation, that a *male* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *16th* day of *July*, 1901; that said child has been  
named *Ida Guesst*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MAKE

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*Ida Guesst*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *5th* day of *November*, 1901.  
*My Commission Expires April 11, 1902* *E. A. Brown*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,  
*Atkinson, S. I., Central* District.

I, *Dyck Hunter*, a *midwife*, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Ida Guesst*, wife of *Charley Guesst*,  
on the *16th* day of *July*, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a *male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named *Ida Guesst*.  
(male or female)

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*Dyck Hunter*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *5th* day of *November*, 1901.  
*My Commission Expires April 11, 1902* *E. A. Brown*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

U. S. of America  
Indian Territory  
Antlers Div. Central Dist

I Dycie Hunter on oath state that Charlie Gueest who married Ida Colbert at Antlers I. T. January 20<sup>th</sup> 1901 is my son by John Gueest, that he was registered at Goodland before the Dawes Commission, under the name of Charley Hunter; that at the same time, George, Cornelius, Ellen, Julius, Lucindy, Clara, Melvin and Joe Hunter also my children were registered. At the same time I also registered.

I further state that the, aforesaid John Gueest is a Choctaw freedman who also registered before the Dawes Commission at Goodland.

Dycie<sup>her</sup> x Hunter  
mark

Witness:— Geo. K. Stedman

E. J. Bryan

Subscribed and sworn to before me this fourth day of December 1901, at Nelson I. T.

E. J. Brown  
N. P. Central Dist.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Isaac Guess*

a citizen of the

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

*Proof of death of person not  
scheduled.*

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Isaac Guss  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
freeman  
a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Nelson, Ind. Ter., and died on the fourth day of  
February, 1902.  
(Here insert name of post office.)

## AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District. }

I, Dycie Hunter, on oath state that I am (about) 46  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Nelson, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
Grandmother of Isaac Guss,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)

who was a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
and that said Isaac Guss died on the 4th day of  
February, 1902.  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

Hester & Co.  
(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of February, 1903.

My commission expires May 5, 1906

E. C. Brown  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District. }

I, Isaac James, on oath state that I am 54  
years of age, and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Nelson, Ind. Ter.;  
that I was personally acquainted with Isaac Guss,  
(Here insert name of post office.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
and that said Isaac Guss died on the 4th day of  
February, 1902.  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

Isaac James  
(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of February, 1903.

My commission expires May 5, 1906

E. C. Brown  
Notary Public.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 23, 1901.

M. A. Brown,

Wetson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 18th instant, returning to this office the applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen of Isaac and Ike Guesst, the infant children of Charley and Ida Guesst, born July 16, 1901, together with the affidavits of Dicey Hunter and Ann Ward and the certificate of W. M. Keith as to the marriage of Charley Guesst and Ida Colbert January 20, 1901.

The information contained in your letter together with the affidavits of Dicey Hunter and Ann Ward has enabled the Commission to identify the father of these children as the son of Dicey Hunter who was listed for enrollment under the name of Charley Hunter as a Choctaw freedman on May 11, 1899 and the applications for the enrollment of the children being in proper form and evidence of his marriage to Ida Colbert having been accepted, the children have this day been duly listed for enrollment as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation.

The Commission is still unable to identify Ida Guesst, the mother of these children as ever having been listed for enroll-



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known as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation under the name of Ida Guesst, Ida Gilbert or Ida Ward.

It appears from our records that Iarnel Gilbert who is stated in the affidavit of Ann Ward as the father of Ida Gilbert has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but it does not appear that at the time he made application he applied for Ida Gilbert.

We are also unable to find any record of any application having been made by Ann Ward to the Commission for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. You are therefore requested to have both Ann Ward and Ida Guesst furnish you with all the information they may have relative to any application that they may have ever made to this Commission for enrollment as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, stating the time and place such application was made, before whom and whether it was made in person or by some one representing them. If no application has ever been made by either Ann Ward or Ida Gilbert to the Commission for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and they are still desirous of making application, it would be advisable that they present themselves at the office of the Commission at its office at Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Our letter of November 31st enclosed with your letter of the 18th instant is returned to you herewith.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner in Charge.

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Mustogee, Indian Territory, January 30, 1903.

Charles Gueast,  
Welson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission has received information to the effect that your son, Isaac Gueast, has died since he was listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation. If this information is not correct, you are requested to so inform the Commission immediately, and if it is correct you are requested to fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed Affidavit of Death.

You will notice that there is a blank for the affidavit of a relative and an acquaintance. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are sworn to affixes his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signatures are by mark they must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

D. C.  
Rev.

17-1166.

Muskogee, Indian Territory. March 8, 1908.

J. A. Egan.

Nelson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 24th ultimo, enclosing the affidavits of Dyeie Hunter and Isaac James relative to the death of Isaac Guss, a Choctaw freedman, which occurred February 4, 1908; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of death of the above named person.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, I.T., Sept. 11, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Mary Taylor, Henry Chalk being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him et al., testified:

I am the father of Mary Taylor. She has never been enrolled here or anywhere else. I was married to Mary Taylor's mother. Mary Taylor is Choctaw.

Henry Byington, being sworn, testified:

Q Do you know Henry Chalk? A I used to know him a good while ago.

Q Did you know Rhoda, his wife? A Yes. They lived together as man and wife.

Redirect: Mary Taylor has always lived in the territory.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

B. McDonald



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY, MARCH 22, 1902.

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In the matter of the application of Mary Taylor for the enrollment of herself and her eight minor children as Choctaw freedmen.

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Mary Taylor being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A My name was Mary Taylor.  
Q What is your name? A Mary Mackey now.  
Q How old are you? A I cant tell just exactly how old I am; somewhere in thirty - thirty six I guess by now.  
Q Where do you live? A I been living in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Where do you live now? A Live here in the Creek Nation while I'm here.  
Q How long have you been in the Creek Nation? A I aint been in the Creek Nation so very long.  
Q How long have you been here; answer my questions directly now? A I cant exactly say how long I been here.  
Q About how long? A Somewhere over a year.  
Q What are you doing here? A Just staying round like every body else does.  
Q Come from the Choctaw Nation here? A Yes sir.  
Q How long have you lived in the Choctaw Nation? A All my days.  
Q Born there? A Born there.  
Q Never have lived anywhere else? A Never have lived any where else, that I know of without it was my father and mother carried me round somewhere when I didn't know nothing about it.  
Q What is your father's name? A Henry Chalk.  
Q What is your mother's name? Rhoda.  
Q Are your father and mother living? A Father's living; mother's dead.  
Q Were your father and mother both slaves of Choctaw Indians?  
A I cant tell you anything about it because I was - if I was here I dont know whether I was big enough to remember anything or not.  
Q Are you married? A Who?  
Q You? A Yes sir.  
Q How many times have you been married? A Been married twice.  
Q What is your first husband's name? A Moses Taylor.  
Q Ever go by any other name? A I cant tell you anything about it; all I knew he went by is Moses Taylor.  
Q Was he a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A No sir, I dont think he was.  
Q State negro? A I think he was.  
Q Was he a slave? A He said he was.  
Q Do you know who he belonged to? A No sir.  
Q Did you have any children by Moses Taylor? A Yes sir.  
Q How many? Seven; no it was six.  
Q How many children did you have by Moses Taylor?  
A Just give me a little time and I will tell you.

Mary Taylor--3.

- Q How many did you have? A Six.  
Q What was the first child named? A Andrew.  
Q How old is he? A Somewhere about twenty or twenty three, years old as near as I can guess.  
Q Where does he live? A Here.  
Q Living with you? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of the next one? A Henry.  
Q How old is he? A He's about seventeen I think.  
Q What is the name of the next? A James.  
Q What is the name of the next one? A Morris.  
Q How old is James? A Dude's about--  
Q How old is James? A Dude's about--  
Q How old is James? A James is about sixteen I guess.  
Q What's the name of the next one? A Dude is the way you got it down there.  
Q I dont want the way we got it down here; what is the name of your next child? A Her name is Beatrice.  
Q How old is she? A She's going on twelve years old.  
Q What is the name of the next one? A The next oldest is Harriet.  
Q How old is Harriet? A She is now going on nine years old.  
Q Who is the father of these six children? A Moses Taylor.  
Q Moses Taylor is the father of all six down to Harriet? A Yes sir.  
Q Got any more? A Two more.  
Q What are their names? A Joshua and Minnie.  
Q Which is the oldest? A Joshua is the oldest.  
Q How old is Joshua? A Seven.  
Q What is the next one? A Minnie.  
Q How old is Minnie? A Five.  
Q Who is the father of these two children? A Roswell Mackey.  
Q How do you spell that? A I cant spell Roswell.  
Q Is he a state negro? A No he aint.  
Q Was he ever a slave? A I dont know whether he has been a slave or not.  
Q Does he claim any right to enrollment as a citizen or freedman of any tribe? A Claims right in the Cherokee Nation.  
Q Has he ever made application for the enrollment of these two children in the Cherokee Nation? A No sir.  
Q Have they ever been enrolled in the Cherokee Nation? A No sir.  
Q Have they got any rights in the Cherokee Nation? A Not that I know of; if they is they are not on there.

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HENRY CHALK BEING FIRST DULY SWORN TESTIFIES ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT AS FOLLOWS:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Henry Chalk.  
Q How old are you? A I cant tell you.  
Q About how old? A Sixty I reckon  
Q Where do you live? A I live in the Choctaw Nation but I been here a good while working for Captain Severs.  
Q Do you know this woman Mary Mackey? A Yes sir.  
Q Is she any relation to you? A Claims to be my daughter.  
Q Is she your daughter? A Yes sir.  
Q Certain of that? A I'm certain of it.  
Q What is her mother's name? A Rhada.

Henry Chalk--A.

- Q Where was she born? A Mary?  
Q Yes. A Born down there in the Choctaw Nation; there at Kiamitia.  
Q Do you know about when she was born? A Yes sir I does.  
Q When? A About when?  
Q Yes. A No sir I done forget her age.  
Q Was she born after the war? A O, yes after the war.  
Q Always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir; I raised her there and she's never been anywhere else.  
Q Were you a slave of a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What? A Mary Taylor; I was a slave of Joe Taylor's wife.  
Q Where was you when the war broke out? A Right there at Kiamitia; stayed right there all the time.  
Q Do you remember when the slaves were freed? A Yes sir I does.  
Q Where was you? A Right there at home in the house.  
Q Do you remember the treaty of Fort Smith? A I heard of it but I was'nt up there.  
Q Where was you? A At home.  
Q Never went out of the Choctaw Nation? A Never went anywhere; stayed right with my old Missis six years after the freedom; stayed there and worked for her running teams from Ft. Smith.

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Roswell Mackey being first duly sworn testified on behalf of the applicant as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Roswell Mackey.  
Q Are you the husband of Mary Mackey? A Yes sir.  
Q How many children have you by her? A Just two.  
Q What are their names? A Joshua and Minnie.  
Q Were you ever a slave? A Yes sir.  
Q How old are you? A I'm forty eight.  
Q Who was you the slave of? A Captain Smith.  
Q Who was he? A A Cherokee Indian.  
Q Have you ever been enrolled as a Cherokee freedman? A Yes sir.  
Q Have you ever been enrolled by the Dawes Commission as a Cherokee freedman? A Yes sir.  
Q Did you apply for any of these children? A No sir.  
Q Why didn't you? A I didn't apply for them because every child had to give his own name; that's the reason I didn't try.  
Q Who told you that? A O, I heard several people talking about it.  
Q Did you make application for these children when you applied for yourself? A No sir; I never made an application for either one of them.

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Clara Mitchell Wood being first duly sworn upon her oath

states that as stenographer for the Commission to the Five  
Civilized Tribes she has dictated in full all proceedings before  
the above entitled court on the twenty second day of March 1902  
and that the above and foregoing is a full true and correct  
transcript of her stenographic notes of said proceedings  
on said date.

*Clara Mitchell Wood*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this twenty ninth day of  
March A. D. 1902.

*M. D. Quinn*  
Notary Public.



Cherokee Freedmen 808.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Roswell Mackey as a Cherokee Freedman.

DECISION.

The record in this case shows that on April 16, 1901, Roswell Mackey appeared before the Commission at Fort Gibson, Indian Territory, and made personal application for enrollment as a Cherokee Freedman.

The evidence shows that the said Roswell Mackey was the slave of a Cherokee citizen at the commencement of the rebellion, and was residing in the Cherokee Nation on July 19, 1866.

The evidence further shows that the applicant has lived in the Cherokee Nation all his life, excepting a few years during which he was imprisoned in the penitentiaries at Detroit and Leavenworth. It is not considered, however, that he lost his residence in the Cherokee Nation by reason of such imprisonment.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that Roswell Mackey should be enrolled as a Cherokee Freedman, in accordance with the provisions of section twenty-one of the Act of Congress, approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 495), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

(SIGNED)

*Jame Dink*

Chairman.

*F. E. Needles.*

Commissioner.

*C. R. Breckinridge*

Commissioner.

*W. E. Stanley.*

Commissioner.

Dated at Muskogee, Indian Territory,  
this MAR 5 1901



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COMMISSIONERS

YANE BIXBY,  
THOMAS H. NEEDLES,  
C. R. BRICKNIDGE,  
W. E. STANLEY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ALLISON L. AYLERWORTH,  
SECRETARY

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| REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING |
| Cherokee Freedmen               |
| #808.                           |

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 9, 1904.

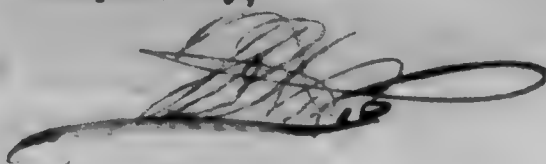
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division.

Gentlemen:

There is herewith enclosed a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated March 5, 1904, granting the application of Roswell Mackey for the enrollment of himself as a Cherokee freedman.

It appears that the applicant's wife and children have been listed for enrollment on Choctaw Freedmen Card No. 1155.

Respectfully,



Enc. D-4.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1357

Washago, Indian Territory, April 12, 1904.

Miss Elliott,

Nowyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and the affidavit of Sandy R. Elliott to the death of your cousin Mary Taylor a Choctaw freedman which occurred February 12, 1904.

You are requested to advise this office the age of Mary Taylor referred to in your letter and the names of her children in order that she may be properly identified upon our records.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choc. Fr. 1168

Orange, 1168

Choctaw Freedman  
ORIGINAL

Department of the Interior  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Garvin, I. T., November 27th, 1902.

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In the matter of the application of Orange Butler for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Orange Butler being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Orange Butler.  
Q How old are you? A About sixty-eight.  
Q What is your post office address? A Harris.  
Q How long have you lived in the Choctaw Nation? A All my days.  
Q Do you claim to be a freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your father? A Leman Butler.  
Q Is he dead? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your mother? A Rose.  
Q Is she dead? A Yes sir.  
Q Were both of your parents slaves? A Yes sir, both of them; my mother and father both.  
Q Who was your father's owner? A Garland.  
Q What were his initials? A Sam Garland.  
Q Was Sam Garland an Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What tribe did he belong to? A I don't know; he lived out here in the hills.  
Q Was he a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir, some kind of mixed blood I guess he was Choctaw.  
Q What was the name of your mother's owner? A Fitchlynn.  
Q Was he an Indian? A Yes sir, he was an Indian; he died in Mississippi.  
Q Were you a slave? A Yes sir.  
Q What was the name of your owner? A Betsey Harris.  
Q Was she an Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q What tribe of Indians was she a member of? A Her father was an Indian but he died in Mississippi; he died in Mississippi, then my mother fell to some of the children.  
Q Well was this Betsey Harris a Choctaw Indian? A Yes sir.  
Q Recognized as a Choctaw Indian always? A Yes sir.  
Q No doubt about her rights? A No sir.  
Q Was she the only owner you ever had? A Yes sir.  
Q Were you her slave at the time of the freeing of the slaves? A Yes sir.  
Q Where did she live? A About ten miles on the other side of Little River, about three miles from the line in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Did you live there all your life up to the time you were freed? A Yes sir.



Orange Butler--2.

- Q Where did you go after you were freed? A I came up in the hills, they had moved to the hills, and I lived in the hills and moved from there and opened a farm on Red River about the time the war started.
- Q How long did you stay there? A About twelve or thirteen years.
- Q Then where did you go? A Came back up there in the hills and moved back to the river place again and it came a big overflow and we had to leave there.
- Q You lived in the Choctaw Nation all your life? A Yes sir.
- Q And was freed in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.
- Q How does it happen that you have never made application to this Commission before the present time? A I thought that was the right I had; I made application out in the hills once at Mr. Garland's and registered at Shawneetown.
- Q You registered before the Dawes Commission? A Yes sir.
- Q Where did you appear before the Dawes Commission--this Commission? A At Shawneetown.
- Q When was that? A When the register was there; I couldn't tell what time, but it's been a long time ago.
- Q Did you ever go before the Commission at Sulphur Springs? A No sir, I couldn't get there; I was sick; my arm was broken, both of them.
- Q Were you ever enrolled by the Choctaw tribe as a freedman of that Nation? A Yes sir I have.
- Q When were you enrolled by them? A I was enrolled at Garland and enrolled at Shawneetown.
- Q That's the enrollment you were talking of a while ago? A Yes sir.
- Q Enrollment by the tribe? A Yes sir, Choctaw tribe.
- Q Have you got any children? A No sir, just Sam Cubit's wife; her name is Amy Cubit.
- Q Have you any other children? A Yes sir, at Eagletown, name Rachel Williams.

Albert G. McMillan being first duly sworn states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported the proceedings had in the above entitled cause on the 27th day of November, 1902, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in said cause on said date.

*Albert G. McMillan*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5th day of December, 1902.

*H. E. Rister*

Notary Public.



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**ENROLLMENT**  
**CHOCTAW FREEDMAN**

Tennessee Askew, et, al.

Decision, Rendered. Feb 7 1905

GRANTED Feb 7 1905

Copy of Decision Forwarded Applicant  
Feb 7 1905

Copy of Decision Forwarded Attorneys for  
Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations. Feb 7 1905  
Notice of Decision Forwarded Attorney for  
Applicants. Feb 7 1905.

Record Forwarded Department. Feb 7 1905.

#3 DISMISSED Feb 7 1905.

See Pending Application for enrollment  
as Choctaws by blood: Choctaw Card  
#D.151.

Action Approved by Secretary of Interior  
Mar 14 1905.

Notice of departmental. Action Mailed  
Applicant Apr 6 1905.

Notice of Departmental Action Forwarded  
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw  
Nations. Apr 6 1905.

Notice of Departmental Action For-  
warded Attorney for Applicant.  
Apr 6 1905.

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Department of the Interior  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes  
Arkmore, T. S. October 27, 1902.

Chectaw D-151.

In the matter of the application for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Chectaw Nation of Tennessee, Askew and her minor child Frederick Askew and her three minor sisters, Josephine, Frances and Mary Harris.

Tennessee Askew being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission on

- Q What is your name? A Tennessee Askew.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-two years old.  
Q What is your post office address? A Mills.  
Q How long have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation? A I was raised here.  
Q Lived here all of your life? A Yes, sir.  
Q Lived here in the Chickasaw Nation all of your life? A Yes, sir.  
Q Never lived in the Chectaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q How long? A Just for a week or two on a visit.  
Q When did you come before the Commission before? A I never went for myself.  
Q Are you an applicant before the Commission for enrollment as a citizen by blood of the Chectaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you ever been recognized as enrolled as a member of the Chectaw tribe of Indians? A Yes, sir.  
Q When were you recognized by the tribal authorities? A I do not remember when it was; I was small.  
Q Were you ever put on the roll of Chectaw citizens prepared by the Chectaw tribe? A I think so.  
Q Do you know anything about it? A Well I know mother went off to have us enrolled.  
Q Did you ever draw any money as a member of the Chectaw tribe of Indians? A Yes, sir.  
Q When did you draw this money? A In '95 my mother drew for us.  
Q Where were you at that time? A On the Washita.  
Q How much money did your mother draw? A \$300.00.  
Q How many persons were in your family at that time? A My mother  
Q Are you sure she drew three-hundred dollars? A Yes, sir.  
Q What year you think that was in? A '95.  
Q Did you ever draw any money known as the leased District payment? A No, sir.  
Q Did you ever hear of any such payment being made? A No, sir.  
Q Through whom do you claim your Indian blood? A My mother.  
Q How much Indian blood did she have? A She was a half Indian.  
Q I guess.  
Q What was your father? A My father was a Chectaw freedman.  
Q Was one Tennessee Jones. Did you ever hear of her? A Yes, I heard of her; that was my grandmother.  
Q The mother of your mother? A Yes, sir.  
Q Was she an Indian? A Yes, sir.  
Q What name? A Yes, sir.

Department of the Interior  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes  
Arkansas, E. S. October 27, 1902.

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In the matter of the application for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation of Tennessee Askew and her minor child Frederick Askew and her three minor sisters, Josephine, Francis and Mary Harris.

Tennessee Askew being first duly sworn testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

- Q What is your name? A Tennessee Askew.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-two years old.  
Q What is your post office address? A Mills.  
Q How long have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation? A I was raised here.  
Q Lived here all of your life? A Yes, sir.  
Q Lived here in the Chickasaw Nation all of your life? A Yes, sir.  
Q Never lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q How long? A Just for a week or two on a visit.  
Q When did you come before the Commission before? A I never went for myself.  
Q Are you an applicant before the Commission for enrollment as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you ever been recognized as enrolled and a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians? A Yes, sir.  
Q When were you recognized by the tribal authorities? A I disremember when it was; I was small.  
Q Were you ever put on the roll of Choctaw citizens prepared by the Choctaw tribe? A I think so.  
Q Do you know anything about it? A Well I know mother went off to have us enrolled.  
Q Did you ever draw any money as a member of the Choctaw tribe of Indians? A Yes, sir.  
Q When did you draw this money? A In '95 my mother drew for us.  
Q Where were you at that time? A On the Washita.  
Q How much money did your mother draw? A \$300.00.  
Q How many persons were in your family at that time? A My mother and five children.  
Q Are you sure she drew three-hundred dollars? A Yes, sir.  
Q What year you think that was in? A '95.  
Q Did you ever draw any money known as the leased District payment? A No, sir.  
Q Did you ever hear of any such payment being made? A No, sir.  
Q Through whom do you claim your Indian blood? A My mother.  
Q How much Indian blood did she have? A She was a half Indian.  
Q What was your father? A My father was a Choctaw freedman.  
Q The one Tennessee Jones, did you ever hear of her? A Yes, I heard of her; that was my grandmother.  
Q The mother of your mother? A Yes, sir.  
Q Was she an Indian? A Yes, sir.  
Q Did she? A Yes, sir.



- Q That was your grandfather? A He was a Choctaw or Chickasaw freedman,--one I don't know exactly which.
- Q Is your mother living now? A No, sir.
- Q When did she die? A She has been dead three or four years.
- Q She was dead at the time you were first enrolled? A No, sir; she was here then.
- Q Did she enroll you? A Yes, sir.
- Q By Chickasaw Commissioner Murray.
- Q Where did your mother enroll you at? A At Oakland I think.
- Q The Choctaw or Chickasaw country? A In the Choctaw country.
- Q There is no place by the name of Oakland in the Choctaw country is there? A It is Okla I think.
- Q You don't know just where she enrolled you? A No, sir; I do not.
- Q You are sure your mother enrolled you? A Yes; she enrolled me.

By the Commission.

- Q Did your mother enroll you herself at the same time? A Yes, sir.
- Q Where were you living in 1896? A There on the Washita.
- Q Was your name ever put on the census roll of the citizens of the Choctaw Nation? A I think so.
- Q Did any one come around and get your name in 1896 and put it on the roll of citizens of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations? A Yes; I believe they did.
- Q Who came around? A I don't know.
- Q Do you remember anything about it? A Yes, sir.
- Q How old are you at that time? A I don't know how old I was.
- Q Are you married? A Yes, sir.
- Q What is the name of your husband? A Frank Atkew.
- Q Is he an applicant before the Commission for enrollment as an intermarried citizen? A No, sir.
- Q He is a non-citizen? A Yes, sir.
- Q Have you got any children? A Yes, sir.
- Q How many? A One.
- Q What is the name? A Frederick.
- Q How old is he? A Eleven months.
- Q Have you got any brothers and sisters? A Yes, sir.
- Q State their names? A Tommie, Josephine, Frances, Agnes and Mary. ---Agnes is dead.
- Q Agnes is dead? A Yes, sir.
- Q Was Tommie Harris ever enrolled as a Choctaw? A Yes, sir.
- Q When was application made for him? A The same time the rest of them.
- Q Is your brother Tom enrolled as an Indian or Freedman? A He is enrolled as an Indian. My mother enrolled him as an Indian and my Pa enrolled him as a freedman.
- Q Was application ever made for the enrollment of any of your brothers or sisters, with the exception of Tom, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation--any of the rest of them put down as Chickasaw Freedmen? A Yes, sir.
- Q Which ones? A All of us.
- Q Was application made for you? A Yes, sir.

G. Rosenwinkel being duly sworn on his oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in full all the proceedings had in the above entitled



course on October 27, 1900, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes in said course on said date.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 day of November 1900,

Charles H. Barry

Notary Public

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
Muskogee, Indian Territory,  
December 2, 1903.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Tennessee Askew, et al., as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

Applicants represented by S. T. Wiggins, attorney of  
record.

(Statement by S. T. Wiggins) Upon the basis of the motion filed  
for a rehearing, September 28, 1903, with the Commission to the  
Five Civilized Tribes, wherein Tennessee Askew for herself and as  
natural guardian for Thomas Harris, Jr., her minor brother, Josephine,  
Frances and Mary Harris, her minor sisters, and Fred Askew,  
her minor son; wherein she applies for a rehearing in the case,  
and that said applicants be transferred to the Choctaw Indian roll.  
The said motion for a rehearing was granted by the Commission to  
the Five Civilized Tribes, and applicants were allowed to introduce  
proof upon the basis of the facts contained in said motion  
and affidavits in support of same.

(By the Commission to S. T. Wiggins) Have you filed notice of the  
taking of this testimony upon the Attorneys for the Choctaw and  
Chickasaw Nations? A No, personally, I have not.

Q Has the Nation any notice of the taking of this testimony?  
A Personally, I do not know.

(By the Commission) No appearance on behalf of the Choctaw and  
Chickasaw Nations, nor has any proof of service in the taking of  
this testimony been filed with the records in the case.

(By S. T. Wiggins) Counsel, appearing, is not personally aware of  
any service having been previously given to the Choctaw Nation,  
and so states.

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Tennessee Askew, being first duly sworn, on her oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

- Q What is your name? A Tennessee Askew.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-two or twenty-three years old.  
Q Have you any brothers or sisters? A Yes, sir.  
Q Give their names? A Tommie Harris, Josephine, Frances and Mary.  
Q Have you any children? A Yes, sir.  
Q Give their names? A Frederick.  
Q Are there any other children, sisters or brothers? A No, sir.

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- Q These are all alive? A Yes, sir.  
Q Who is the mother of Thomas, Josephine, Frances and Mary and yourself? A Susan Harris.  
Q What is your father's name? A Tom Harris.  
Q What was Susan Harris' mother's name? A Tennessee James.  
Q Do you remember Tennessee James in your life time? A No, sir.  
Q Is your mother living or dead? A Dead.  
Q Do you know whether or not she in her life time was ever enrolled as a Choctaw Indian? A Why, that's what they told me.  
Q Do you know? A No, I never made application for enrollment only a year ago at Ardmore.  
Q Do you know whether or not your mother, Susan Harris, drew annuity in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q Did you ever since her death make application before the Dawes Commission as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir, once down here at Ardmore.  
Q Did you make that application for yourself and those whom you represent in this case? A Yes, sir.  
Q Did your mother, Susan Harris, draw annuity in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
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Examination by the Commission.

- Q What is your mother's name? A Susan Harris.  
Q Was she a Choctaw Indian? A Yes, sir.  
Q When did she die? A I don't remember what year it was she died; she has been dead six years.  
Q Was -- while she was living she was recognized as a Choctaw? A Yes, sir.  
Q You said she drew annuity? A Yes, sir.  
Q What annuity did she draw? A I don't know.  
Q When did she draw it? A I don't know.  
Q How much did she get? A I don't know.  
Q Who got the money? A Drew it herself.  
Q Where did she draw it? A At Atoke, Indian Territory.  
Q About how long ago was that? A I don't remember.  
Q When was you born? A I don't know what year.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-two or twenty-three.  
Q Ever been recognized as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q Ever been recognized as a citizen by the Choctaw tribal authorities? A Yes, sir.  
Q Are you on any tribal roll? A I ought to be.  
Q Are you? A No, sir.  
Q Where was you living in 1893? A On Washita Creek.  
Q Did you draw the Leased District Payment of the Choctaw Nation in 1893? A Yes, sir.  
Q How much did you draw? A I couldn't tell you.  
Q Who drew it for you? A My mother, she drew for all of us children except one.

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The names of Susan Harris, Tennessee, Josephine, Agnes, and Frances Harris do not appear upon the 1893 Leased District Payment Roll of the citizens of the Choctaw Nation, nor are their names found upon any of the tribal rolls of the Choctaw Nation in the possession of the Commission, with the exception of the roll of Choctaw freedmen living in the Chickasaw Nation, made by the Choctaw tribal authorities in 1896, the names of the applicants herein appearing upon said roll on page 444, under the name of Harrison.

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Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

- Q Were you under the age of eighteen at the time of the drawing of your money? A Yes, sir.
- Q When she drew the annuity? A Yes, sir.
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Examination by the Commission.

- Q Have you always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A No, sir, I never have lived in the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Where have you lived? A Lived in Indian Territory.
- Q What Nation? A Chickasaw Nation.
- Q Have you lived any where else than in the Chickasaw Nation? A No, sir.
- Q How long since your father's death? A Seven years.
- Q Was he a Choctaw freedman? A Yes, sir.
- Q How old was your mother when she died? A I couldn't tell you how old she was.
- Q About how old? A I couldn't tell you nothing about how old she was -- something like thirty or forty.
- Q Did your father and mother both live in the Chickasaw Nation? A Yes sir.
- Q Do you know where they were born? A In the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Did your mother go by any other name than Susan Harris? A That's all the name.
- Q Were they ever known by the name of Harrison? A Yes, sir.
- Q Any other name she was known by? A Not that I know of.
- Q When she lived in the Choctaw Nation, do you know what county it was? A No, sir.
- Q What county do you live in in the Chickasaw Nation? A Pickens County.
- Q What is your post-office? A Mile, Indian Territory.
- Q You, yourself, never drew any money? A Yes, sir.
- Q Did you get it yourself? A No, sir, I didn't get it but my mother drew it for me.
- Q About how old were you when your mother drew this money for you? A About eleven, I guess.
- Q Where was your mother living at the time she drew this money? A In the Chickasaw Nation.



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Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

Q Can you read? A No, sir.

Q Can you write? A No, sir.

Q All you know about these things is from memory? A Yes, sir.

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July Joseph, witness on behalf of the applicants, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

Q What is your name? A July Joseph.

Q How old are you? A About sixty-five.

Q Where do you live, Mr. Joseph? A I live over there about Ardmore.

Q What Nation? A Chickasaw Nation.

Q How long have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation? A I have been living in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations all my days.

Q How long have you lived in the Chickasaw Nation? A Been about twenty-five or thirty years.

Q Came over after freedom to the Chickasaw Nation? A Yes, sir.

Q Before that you lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you know Tennessee Askew? A Yes, sir.

Q How long have you known her? A Knew her from a little girl up.

Q A little girl? A Yes, sir, from a baby.

Q Where was she living all this time? A Living on the Washita in the Chickasaw Nation.

Q Her brother and sisters too? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you know their names? A Yes, sir.

Q What was the name of the mother of Tennessee? A Susan Harris.

Q Do you know what was the name of their father? A Thomas Harris.

Q Are they living? A No, sir, both dead.

Q How long had you known Thomas Harris and Susan Harris? A Known Susan all her days.

Q Did you live close to them? A Yes, sir, lived close together.

Q Was Susan -- what was she; was she a freedman or was she an Indian? A She was an Indian by blood.

Q Did she look like an Indian? A Yes, sir, she looked like an Indian.

Q What was Thomas Harris? A He was a freedman.

Q Did they live together as man and wife a good many years? A Yes, sir, lived together a while as man and wife.

Q Did you ever know Susan Harris in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.

Q Who was her father and mother; who was her mother? A Tennessee James.

Q What was she? A She was a Choctaw Indian.

Q Do you know anything at all whether Susan Harris ever drew any money from the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.

Q Do you know how much she drew? A No, sir. I couldn't tell you that.

Q Do you know how long ago it was? A Not exactly.

Q About how long? A About ten or eleven years ago.



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- Q Do you know where she drew it? A Think she drew it at Atoka, Indian Territory.
- Q You don't know, yourself, as to whether she drew it? A No, sir, she says she drew it.
- Q Do you know how much she drew? A No, sir. I could not tell you.
- Q Did Susan Harris ever go by any other name than Susan Harris? A Before she was married by the name of Susan Joseph.

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Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

- Q Can you read or write? A No, sir.
- Q You are the father of Susan Joseph (Susan Harris)? A Yes, sir, that was the claim.
- Q Are you the one that made original application at Ardmore? A Yes, sir.
- Q For the claim to be transferred from the freedman roll to the Indian roll? A Yes, sir.

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Examination by the Commission.

- Q You said the mother of Susan Harris was Tennessee James? A Yes, sir.
- Q And you are her father -- Susan Harris' father? A Yes, sir.
- Q You claim that Tennessee Askew and Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, and Mary Harris are one-fourth bloods? A Yes, sir.

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Albert Johnson, witness on behalf of the applicants, being first duly sworn, on his oath, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

- Q What is your name? A Albert Johnson.
- Q What is your age? A I am about forty-three years old. I was twelve years old at the beginning of the war.
- Q Where do you live? A I was raised in the Choctaw Nation.
- Q Where do you live now? A I live in the Chickasaw Nation now.
- Q How long have you lived there? A Came from the Choctaw Nation after the war.
- Q Lived there ever since? A Yes, sir.
- Q How far do you live from Milo? A Fifteen or sixteen miles.
- Q Do you know Tennessee Askew? A Yes, sir.
- Q Her mother and grandmother? A Yes, sir.
- Q How long have you known them? A Tennessee James -- I knowed her all my life. She was raised right -- I knowed her ever since I was

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- a boy twelve years old on up.
- Q What was Susan Harris? A Susan Harris -- she was an Indian by blood -- mother was an Indian; her father was a colored man.
- Q Tennessee Askew's mother was Susan Harris and she was a Choctaw? A Susan Harris' mother, Tennessee James, was a Choctaw by blood.
- Q Susan Harris' mother was an Indian and her father was freedman -- black man.
- Q The father of Tennessee Askew was Thomas Harris, a Choctaw freedman? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you know as to whether Susan Harris ever drew any annuities? A Yes, sir.
- Q How do you know it? A Well, she went down to Atoka to draw annuity money and after she went down there and got this money she come back and get me to take care of the money -- take the money and keep it for her. She come to me and asked me about it and I told her that I could get the money out of the bank and get the bank men to transfer the money from the Denison bank to the Ardmore bank.
- Q How much was it? A Well, it was something over \$400 -- might have been something over -- right about that.
- Q You were not at Atoka when she drew the money? A No, sir.
- Q All you about drawing the money was what she told you? A Yes, sir. She returned with money and said it was annuity money.
- Q Do you know for whom she drew? A She went down there to Atoka County and went down there and she had staid there quite a while -- didn't pay at the time -- she sold her scrip to a man by the name of Joe Phillip. The money she was to get she claimed was about six hundred dollars. She sold it to him and she sold him her paper for about four hundred dollars and I think he got six hundred dollars.
- Q Who was this Joe Phillip? A He was a white man.
- Q What was his business? A He was running a big store at Atoka.
- Q Is he living? A No, sir.
- Q Do you know when he died? A No, sir.
- Q Is there anything else you know about this case -- about Susan Harris -- her being recognized as a Choctaw Indian? A She was recognized as a Choctaw Indian.
- Q In what way? A She drew annuities -- money -- and everybody ))) Tennessee James -- she was a relation to the people I belonged to. Susan James was a Choctaw Indian all right.
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Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

- Q What relation was Tennessee James to your mistress? A According to what they always told me my mistress and her must have been first cousins. Tennessee James was a cousin of Malsay Colbert, my owner.
- Q You say you had known Tennessee James all her -- your -- life? A Yes, sir, I knowed her all my life -- knowed her ever since I could recollect.
- Q Susan Harris was the grandmother of these applicants? A Yes, sir, grandmother of this Tennessee Askew.
- Q She was the mother of Susan Harris? A Yes, sir. Susan Harris was her mother.
- Q You are a freedman, are you? A Yes, sir.
- Q Can you read or write? A No, sir.
- Q The only way you have to fix ideas is by memory? A Yes, sir.

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Q Is Tennessee Askew, Mary Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris and Thomas Harris, Jr. minor children at the death of Susan Harris?  
A Yes, sir.

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Ephraim James, being duly sworn, on his oath, testified on behalf of the applicants, as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

- Q What is your name? A Ephraim James.  
Q How old are you? A About fifty-five.  
Q Where do you live? A Live on the Washita.  
Q How far do you live from Milo? A I don't know that place, that Milo. I live three miles from Berwyn.  
Q How far do you live from Tennessee Askew? A Live about twenty-five miles.  
Q How long have you known her? A For ever since she was little.  
Q Do you know her mother? A Yes, sir.  
Q Who was she? A Susan Harris.  
Q What was she? A She was a Choctaw by blood.  
Q Did she look like one? A Yes, sir.  
Q How much Indian blood did she have? A I don't know. Guess was half and half.  
Q Who was the father of Tennessee; do you know him? A I know who they called her father.  
Q Who was he? A Thomas Harris.  
Q What was he? A Choctaw freedman.  
Q How long had you known Susan Harris? A Known her ever since she was small.  
Q Do you know Susan Harris was recognized by the Choctaws? A Says she was.  
Q Do you really know anything at all about it yourself? A No, sir, just heard some say she had Choctaw blood.  
Q Just heard some say she had Choctaw blood? A No, I know she had Choctaw blood.  
Q Who was Susan Harris' mother? A Tennessee James.  
Q Was she an Indian? A Yes, sir.  
Q Do you know that or just heard it? A I know it; I was raised right there with them.  
Q Who was the father of Susan Harris? A Susan Harris' father was named July Joseph.  
Q The gentleman who testified here this morning? A Yes, sir.  
Q Do you know Susan Harris ever drew any money? A I don't know. I heard she drew money.  
Q You don't know anything about it yourself? A I seen money.  
Q How much did you see at one time? A I never seen much of it at one time.  
Q How long ago was that? A I couldn't tell.  
Q About twenty years ago? A May have been twenty and may not have been -- took no account of it.  
Q Do you know how much she drew? A No, sir.  
Q Where she drew it? A Choctaw Nation, Atoka.

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Q Don't know yourself about it? A No, sir. I didn't go down there.  
Q She went away and when she came back she had a little money; that's all you know about it? A Yes, sir.

Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

Q Do you know who came back with her? A I think it was Phillip.  
Q Phillip who? A Phillip Stevenson.  
Q Do you know who went down with her? A Mack Stevenson.  
Q What relation is he to Phillip? A Two brothers.  
Q Can you read or write? A No, sir.  
Q Only way you have to fix dates and events is by memory? A Yes, sir.  
Q You don't want to swear positively as to dates? A No, sir, I don't.  
Q Did you say you knew Tennessee James all your life? A Yes, sir, knewed her all my life.  
Q Knew her to be an Indian? A Yes, sir.  
Q Was she related to the people that owned you? A Yes, sir.  
Q Do you know what kin she was? A She was a sister to my old master's mother.

Examination by the Commission.

Q You are a Choctaw freedman? Or Chickasaw? A Choctaw.  
Q Are you on the final rolls? A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you taken your allotment? A No, sir.  
Q Did you know Susan Harris by any other name than Susan Harris?  
A No, sir. I guess she went by Susan Joseph until she was married.  
Q Any other name? A No, sir.

Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

Q Do you know whether or not they ever mistook the name Harris for Harrison? A No, sir.

Phillip Stevenson, witness on behalf of the applicants, being first duly sworn, on oath, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

Q What is your name? A Phillip Stevenson.  
Q How old are you? A About seventy-five.  
Q Where do you live? A I live about two miles west of Springport.



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- Q Chickasaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
- Q You are a freedman? A Yes, sir.
- Q What Nation? A Chickasaw Nation.
- Q Are you listed for enrollment? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you know Tennessee Askew and her brothers and sisters? A Yes, sir.
- Q Do you live any where near where they live? A Yes, sir.
- Q How near? A I live about twelve miles from where they live now.
- Q Did you know her mother? A Yes, sir.
- Q What was her name? A Her name was Susan.
- Q What was she? A She was a Choctaw.
- Q She was a full blood Choctaw, was she? A No, she was a half.
- Q Who was the father of this young woman, Tennessee Askew? A Tom Harris.
- Q Who was Susan Harris' mother? A Tennessee.
- Q What was her other name? A Tennessee James.
- Q Who was the father of Susan Harris? A July Joseph.
- Q He was a freedman? A Yes, sir.
- Q Was Susan Harris an illegitimate child? A Yes, sir, I suppose she was.
- Q Do you know Tennessee James and July Joseph were married when this Susan Harris was born? A No, sir, I don't.
- Q You stated just now that Susan Harris was a Choctaw; how do you know that? A I know for her mother -- her mother was a Choctaw.
- Q How do you know her mother was a Choctaw? A Cause I knowed her family all my days and I used to be around there and she was a relation to the man that raised me, Joe Colbert.
- Q What relation was Joe Colbert to Tennessee James? A Cousin.
- Q Closely related? A Yes, sir, close kin.
- Q Was Tennessee James a freedman; wasn't she a slave? A Never was a slave.
- Q What about Susan Harris; was she a slave? A No, sir.
- Q Do you know whether Susan James ever drew any money from the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
- Q How do you know it? A I know it cause I was with her.
- Q Where did Susan Harris draw this money? A She drew it at Atoka.
- Q Now, have you any idea how long ago that was? A No, sir, not exactly. I suppose it was six or seven years ago -- may be longer.
- Q Were you at Atoka at that time? A Yes, sir. I was at Atoka at that time.
- Q What were you doing there? A I went down there to see some of my kin folks down there.
- Q When you saw her at Atoka, did she draw money? A She had drawed it.
- Q Then did you and she go together? A Yes, sir.
- Q Where did you both go to or was anybody else with you? A No, there was nobody else with me.
- Q Now you and Susan Harris were together; where did you go? A Went home up on the Washita.
- Q Went from Atoka to the Chickasaw Nation with her? A Yes, sir.
- Q How did you go? A Went in a buggy.
- Q To Washita? A Yes, sir.
- Q She had the money with her all this time? A Yes, sir.
- Q What did she do with the money? A Placed it in the hands of Albert Johnson.
- Q How much was it? A About four hundred dollars.
- Q What took place then? A Well, I suppose Albert Johnson took the money and turned it over to her.



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Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

Q Were you there at Atoka when she made the deal with old man Phillip, the merchant? A No, I wasn't there then when she made the deal.

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Examination by the Commission.

Q Where did you get the money? A Got it from Joe Phillips.  
Q So you got the money from Joe Phillips? A Yes, sir, I went with her over and got the money.

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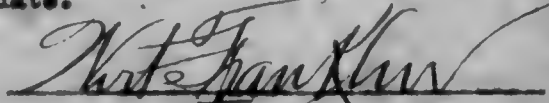
Examination by attorney, S. T. Wiggins.

Q Where is Mack Stevenson? A Dead now.  
Q Is that the brother of yours that went with Susan Harris to be enrolled and draw annuity money? A Yes, sir.

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(By the Commission to Attorney S. T. Wiggins) Do you intend to introduce any further testimony? A No, sir, not that I know of.  
Q The case will be held for thirty days for the introduction of any additional testimony that the applicants may desire to present. After that the case will be considered closed and the decision of the Commission rendered upon such evidence as then presented.

Wirt Franklin, being first duly sworn, on oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported all proceedings had in the above entitled cause at Muskogee, Indian Territory, on December 2, 1903, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes, taken in said cause on said date.



Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December, 1903.

  
Notary Public.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

--: D E C I S I O N :--

It appears from the census card record in this case and the record herein that application was made at Goodland, Indian Territory on May 24, 1899, for and in behalf of Tennessee Askew (nee Harris or Harrison), Thomas Harris (or Harrison), Josephine Harris (or Harrison), Agnes Harris (or Harrison), Frances Harris (or Harrison) and Mary Harris (or Harrison) for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation. Subsequently on June 6, 1901 there was filed with this Commission written application for the enrollment of Frederick Askew as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation, born November 12, 1900 to the applicant Tennessee Askew and Frank Askew, a citizen of the United States. Further proceedings were had in this case at Ardmore, Indian Territory on October 27, 1902 and at Muskogee, Indian Territory on December 2, 1903.

It further appears from the census card record in this case and the record herein that the applicant Tennessee Askew was born about 1884; that the applicant, Thomas Harris, was born about 1886; that the applicant Josephine Harris was born about 1887; that the applicant Agnes Harris was born about 1889; that the applicant Frances Harris was born about 1891; that the applicant Mary Harris was born about 1895; that all of said applicants are the offspring of Susan Harris (nee Joseph), deceased, an alleged half blood Choctaw Indian, and Tom Harris, deceased, a Choctaw freedman; that said Susan Harris and Tom Harris are identified upon the 1896 Choctaw Census Roll of freedmen, Chickasaw District, numbers 1973 and 1972, respectively, and that said Susan Harris was the offspring of Tennessee James, deceased, an alleged full blood Choctaw Indian, and July Joseph, a Choctaw freedman whose name appears as number 2603 upon the lists prepared by this Commission, under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641), of persons entitled to enrollment as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on June 11, 1903.

It does not appear from the evidence offered in

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support of this application and an examination of the tribal rolls of the Choctaw Nation in the possession of the Commission that any of the applicants herein has ever been enrolled as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation; nor does it appear that any of them has been admitted to citizenship as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation by the legally constituted authorities of said nation. It does appear that the applicants, Tennessee Askew, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris and Mary Harris are identified upon the 1896 Choctaw Census Roll of freedmen, Chickasaw District, numbers 1974, 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1975, respectively.

It does not appear from an examination of the records in the possession of the Commission that any of the applicants herein has ever been admitted to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes or by a decree of the United States Court in Indian Territory, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 10, 1896 (29 Stat., 321).

It further appears that all of the applicants herein who were then living were residents in good faith of Indian Territory on June 28, 1898.

It further appears from the record herein that the applicant Agnes Harris died in September 1899.

It is the opinion of this Commission that the application for the enrollment of Agnes Harris as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation should be dismissed and that the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation should be denied, in accordance with the provisions of the act of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stat., 495), and it is so ordered.

It is further the opinion of this Commission that Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew should be enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, in accordance with the provisions of the acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stat., 495) and July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,

SIGNED,

*James D. Dancy*

Chairman.

SIGNED,

*T. B. Neale*

Commissioner.

SIGNED,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

*C. L. Breckinridge*

Commissioner.

Choctaw  
Freedman 1169.

Muskogee, Indian Territory May 27, 1903.

Tennessee Askew,

Milo, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 21st in which you ask how soon you can get a ticket of admission to the Land Office. You further ask if you can send a description of your land so that you can be notified if some other person makes application for the same land. In conclusion you state that you are the only child of Tom and Susan Harris who is over age, and the nearest living relative to their children, and you desire to take out letters of administration and request to be informed how you should proceed in this matter.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Tennessee Askew, her child Frederick Askew, and her sisters Josephine, Agnes, Frances and Mary Harrison, have been listed for enrollment by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed on the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to the selection of allotments for yourself and your family at this time your attention is invited to section fifteen of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allot-

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maps and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

You are informed that if you will furnish a description of the lands which you desire to select in allotment, for yourself your child, and your sisters, proper notation will be made thereof on the records and you will be notified in the event any other person makes application for the said lands or any portion thereof, and you will be permitted to institute contest proceedings for the possession of said lands.

You are further informed that the matter of appointment of guardians and administrators for minor citizens and freedmen in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations does not come within the jurisdiction of this Commission and it is therefore impossible to give you any information on this subject. You are advised however that the Commission will recognize in the selection of allotments for such minor citizens and freedmen, duly appointed and qualified guardians and administrators, irrespective of whether the same have been appointed by the United States court in Indian Territory or the Choctaw and Chickasaw tribal courts.

Respectfully,

*T. B. Needles*

Commissioner in Charge.

Rules for allotment.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 7, 1908.

B. C. Franklin,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 30, asking if Tennessee Askew has been scheduled upon the Choctaw freedman roll.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Tennessee Askew and her minor child Frederick Askew have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

*T. B. Needles*

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 28, 1903.

Tennessee Askew,  
Milo, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of September 20, 1903, to the Secretary of the Interior has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action.

Relative to the right of yourself, your child, and your sisters to enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, you are advised it appears from our records that there is pending before this Commission the application for enrollment of Tennessee Askew and her minor child, Frederick Askew, and Josephine, Agnes, Frances and Mary Harris as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

The application made in behalf of the above named persons, with the exception of Frederick Askew, was presented to the Commission May 24, 1899. We are unable to find the names of any of these persons upon the tribal rolls of the Choctaw Nation in possession of this Commission, with the exception of the 1896 roll of the freedmen of the Choctaw Nation; nor does it appear they have ever been admitted to citizenship in the Choctaw Nation by any tribal authorities thereof or any duly constituted authority of the United States. As far as we are able to ascertain these applicants if

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entitled to any recognition should be enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, being the descendants of Tom Harris, who was apparently the slave of a Choctaw Indian. You are advised, however, that on September 28, 1903, there was filed with the Commission, by S. T. Wiggins of Tishomingo, Indian Territory, a motion for a rehearing in the matter of the application of Tennessee Askew, and others, for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation; on that same date Mr. Wiggins was advised that if it was desired to introduce further testimony in support of the application of the applicants named in the petition for enrollment as citizens of the Choctaw Nation, the Commission would hear the same upon the personal appearance of the applicants and such witnesses as might be presented at its office at Muskogee, Indian Territory, but the introduction of such additional testimony should be made with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,

*T. B. Needles*

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 25, 1904.

July Joseph,

Mile, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 19th inst., requesting to be advised whether your grand-children, Teney Askew, Tom Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris and Mary Harris, have been approved.

You are advised it appears from our records that Tennessee Askew, Josephine Harrison, Agnes Harrison, Frances Harrison, Mary Harrison, and Frederick Askew, are listed for enrollment, but their right to final enrollment has not yet been determined.

They will be duly notified as soon as a decision is reached.

Respectfully,

*James Bixby*

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 8, 1904.

B. O. Franklin,

Springer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 26, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Tennessee Askew and her family as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

You are informed that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application for enrollment of Tennessee Askew and her family as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation. As soon as a decision is rendered in her case she will be duly notified of the action taken therein.

Respectfully,

*Tams Bixby.*

Chairman.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON, March 14, 1905.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I. T.

Gentlemen:

February 7, 1905, you transmitted the record of the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, including your decision dated February 7, 1905, admitting to enrollment, as Choctaw freedmen, the above named applicants.

March 3, 1905, the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, reporting in the matter, recommended that your decision, admitting said applicants as Choctaw freedmen, be affirmed. A copy of his letter is herewith inclosed.

The Department concurs in the recommendation made, and your decision dated February 7, 1905, admitting said applicants to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, is hereby affirmed.

Your attention is invited to the fact that the name of Tennessee Harris, age 18, female, census card 816, is found on the roll of Choctaw freedmen, list No. 2, opposite No. 1777, which list was approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 3, 1904. You are requested to ascertain whether Tennessee Harris, as above enrolled, is identical with Tennessee Askew (nee Harris), one of the applicants admitted to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman under your

decision dated February 7, 1903, which is hereby affirmed, and it is so  
ordered that Tennessee Harris, whose name is enrolled opposite No. 1773,  
above cited, is identical with Tennessee Harris (nee Harris), applicant  
herein, you are requested to cancel the name of Tennessee Harris op-  
posite No. 1773 upon list No. 2 of the Customs Freedmen Roll, approved  
by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 4, 1903, and make re-  
port of your action in the matter direct to the Department.

Respectfully,

THEO. H. FAX,

Acting Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON, March 3, 1905.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I enclose a report from the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated February 7, 1905, transmitting the record of the application for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation by Tennessee Askew (born Harris), Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew,

February 7, 1905, the Commission decided adversely to all the applicants as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation and favorably as Choctaw Freedmen to Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew.

The record shows that all of the applicants were born since 1884, and all except Frederick Askew are the children of Susan Harris (born Joseph), deceased, an alleged half blood Choctaw Indian, and Tom Harris, deceased, a Choctaw Freedman; that Susan and Tom Harris are identified upon the 1896 Choctaw Census Roll of Freedmen at No. 1973 and 1972. It is further shown that Frederick Askew is the child of Tennessee Askew, a non-citizen.

It does not appear that any of the applicants has ever been enrolled or admitted to citizenship as a citizen by blood by any tribal authority of the Choctaw Nation or by any United States tribunal.

It appears from the record that Agnes Harris died in September

1889 and that all the applicants who were then living, were residents in good faith of Indian Territory, on June 28, 1890.

In view of the record the approval of the Commission's decision adverse to Rumsden and Frederick Aker and Thomas, Josephine, Frances and Mary Harris as citizens by blood and favorably to that of Chester Freeman is recommended.

Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee

Acting Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 4, 1905.

Cruce, Cruce & Bleakmore,  
Attorneys at Law.

Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 28, 1905, enclosing applications for the enrollment of Velmore Harris and Lillie and Maggie Askew as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation; you state that these children all belong to the Tennessee Askew case and that you are aware that they have been denied as citizens by blood and have been admitted as Choctaw freedmen, but there is likely to be an application made to reopen the case and if it is reopened and others admitted as citizens by blood these children should be included and you therefore forward the applications within the sixty days provided by the act of March 3, 1905, for the reception of applications for enrollment of infant children.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the act of Congress approved March 3, 1905, authorizes the Commission for a period of sixty days from that date to receive applications for the enrollment of children born to citizens by blood of the



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Shoshone of Snake River Nation whose enrollment was prior to the  
time been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 21, 1906.

J. O. Pool,

Attorney at Law.

Nekoma, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Your petition addressed to the Secretary of the Interior for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew et al., as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation instead of Choctaw freedmen, has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration; receipt is also acknowledged of your letter of June 17, 1906, in the same matter in which you ask that this case be reopened for the introduction of additional testimony and that a date be set for rehearing at Ardmore, Indian Territory.

In reply to your letter you are advised that on March 14, 1906, the Secretary of the Interior affirmed the decision of the Commission refusing the application of Tennessee Askew and her son Fredrick Askew, her brother Thomas Harris, and her sisters Josephine, Frances and Mary Harris as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation and granting their applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen. The Commission therefore considers this case closed.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON, March 14, 1906.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, I.T.

Gentlemen:

February 7, 1906, you transmitted the record of the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, including your decision dated February 7, 1906, admitting to enrollment, as Choctaw freedmen, the above named applicants.

March 8, 1906, the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs, reporting in the matter, recommended that your decision, admitting said applicants as Choctaw freedmen, be affirmed. A copy of his letter is herewith inclosed.

The Department concurs in the recommendation made, and your decision dated February 7, 1906, admitting said applicants to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, is hereby affirmed.

Your attention is invited to the fact that the name of Tennessee Harris, age 18, female, census card 816, is found on the roll of Choctaw freedmen, list No. 2, opposite No. 1777, which list was approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 8, 1903. You are requested to ascertain whether Tennessee Harris, as above enrolled, is identical with Tennessee Askew (nee Harris), one of the applicants admitted to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman under your

Resolution dated February 7, 1906, which is hereby affirmed, and it is  
found that Tennessee Martin, whose name is carried upon a list 1906  
above cited, is identical with Tennessee Anne Lee Martin, the name  
bearing, you are requested to amend the name of Tennessee Martin on  
your list No. 1906 upon list No. 2 of the Census of Indian Territory, approved  
by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 2, 1901, and have re-  
port of your action in the matter direct to the Department.

Respectfully,

Yours, Very Truly,

Acting Secretary,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON, March 3, 1903.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I enclose a report from the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated February 7, 1903, transmitting the record of the application for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Chectaw Nation by Tennessee Askew (born Harris), Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew.

February 7, 1903, the Commission decided adversely to all the applicants as citizens by blood of the Chectaw Nation and favorably as Chectaw Freedmen to Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew.

The record shows that all of the applicants were born since 1884, and all except Frederick Askew are the children of Susan Harris (born Joseph), deceased, an alleged half blood Chectaw Indian, and Tom Harris, deceased, a Chectaw Freedman; that Susan and Tom Harris are identified upon the 1896 Chectaw Census Roll of Freedmen at No. 1973 and 1972. It is further shown that Frederick Askew is the child of Tennessee Askew, a non-citizen.

It does not appear that any of the applicants has ever been enrolled or admitted to citizenship as a citizen by blood by any tribal authority of the Chectaw Nation or by any United States tribunal.

It appears from the record that Agnes Harris died in September



1890 and that all the applicants who were then living, were residents in good faith of Indian Territory, on June 30, 1890.

In view of the record the approval of the Commission's decision adverse to Tennessee and Frederick Astor and Thomas, Josephine, Frances and Mary Harris as citizens is noted and favorably to them as Choctaw Freedmen is recommended.

Very respectfully,

G. F. Laryabee

Acting Commissioner.

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McAlester, Indian Territory, June 28, 1906.

J. O. Pool,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 9, 1906, and your recent letter without date in the matter of the application for the transfer from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation of Tennessee Askew and her children; you state that these people have never been given any hearing and have received no notice of any action taken in this case and you therefore ask what time they will be permitted to appear at this office and give a hearing in their case.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the petition forwarded by you for the transfer of the names of Tennessee Askew, her brother Thomas Harris, her sisters Josephine, Francis and Mary Harris, and her children Frederick, Maggie and Lillie Askew and her nieces Velmore and Bernice Harris from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation has been filed in this office but no action has been taken thereon.

When this petition is taken up for consideration, however,

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you will be notified of such action as is taken therein and if a date is set for hearing in said case you will be duly advised.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 14, 1906.

J. O. Pool,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 23, 1906, inclosing affidavits of Josephine Harris and Caroline Wilson to the birth of Vernie Harris, deceased, child of Ritchard Roberts and Josephine Harris, January 26, 1905; also affidavits of Josephine Harris and Nancy Joseph to the birth of Velmore Harris, child of Lige Williams and Josephine Harris, March 8, 1903; also affidavits of Tennessee Askew and Caroline Wilson to the birth of Lillie Askew, child of F. C. and Tennessee Askew, February 15, 1905; also affidavits of Tennessee Askew and Nancy Wilson to the birth of Maggie Askew, child of F. C. and Tennessee Askew, February 15, 1905.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 13, 1906.

J. O. Pool,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 5 in which you state that the persons in each of the applications in the case of Tennessee Askew, Sallie Berryman and Winsie Riddle desire to make selection of allotments in the event they are successful in their cases now pending before the Department and they wish to have lands set aside for them pending decisions in their cases.

In reply you are advised that no selections of allotment of the lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw country can be made in behalf of any persons until their enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are informed, however, that if persons who have applications pending before this office or the Department own improvements upon lands which they desire to select in allotment, and will forward description of such lands, proper notation will be made upon the records of the Land Office and they will be notified in the event any other person selects said land in order that they may make application therefor for the purpose of instituting contest proceedings if they so desire.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.



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Maskogee, Indian Territory, November 1, 1906.

J. O. Peel,

Attorney at Law,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 26, 1906, in which you state that you have been informed the Secretary of the Interior has referred to this office the case of Tennessee Askew et al., with a decision favorable to the applicants; you desire to be advised in this matter at the earliest possible date.

In reply to your letter you are advised that this office has not yet been notified of Departmental action on the petition filed by Tennessee Askew et al. for enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation instead of Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 5, 1907.

J. S. Mullen,

Attorney at Law,

Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your two letters of January and January 26, 1907, asking the status of the application of Tennessee Askew for enrollment either as a Choctaw by blood, Choctaw freedman, Chickasaw by blood or as a Chickasaw freedman.

In reply to your letters you are advised that the application for the transfer of ~~Tennessee~~ of Tennessee Askew from the Choctaw freedman roll to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation is still pending before the Department.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LEE  
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Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskegee, Indian Territory.

Sirs:

The petitions for the enrollment of the following-named persons as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, received with your letter of July 5, 1906, are denied, in accordance with the recommendation of the Indian Office in letter of January 17, 1907, submitting your report, namely, Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris, Frederick Askew, Maggie Askew, Lillie Askew, Belmore (or Velmon) Harris, and Burris Harris.

The provision in section 2 of the act of April 26, 1906 ( 34 Stat., 137), relative to the completion of the rolls of the Choctaw Nation, would prevent further hearing in this case.

A copy of Indian Office letter of January 17, 1907, is inclosed, also copy of its letter of April 12, 1905, submitting the report of the Commission of April 6, 1905.

The Indian Office will advise local attorneys of this action.

The papers in the case and a carbon copy hereof have been

sent to the Library Office for its files.

Respectfully,

Wm. Ryan  
First Assistant Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

January 17, 1907.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

On March 14, 1905, I. T. D. 2224, the Department of  
firmed the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized  
Tribes dated February 7, 1905, holding that Tennessee Askew,  
Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris,  
Mary Harris and Frederick Askew were entitled to enrollment as  
freedmen of the Choctaw Nation and dismissing the application  
for the enrollment of Agnes Harris, it being shown that she  
died on September ..., 1899.

I now have the honor to enclose a report from the  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated July 5, 1905,  
transmitting application for the transfer of the names of the  
above mentioned parties from the freedmen roll of the Choctaw  
Nation to the blood roll of that nation, and praying that Maggie  
and Lillie Askew, and Belmore or Velmon Harris and Burris  
Harris be enrolled as Choctaws by blood.

Susan Harris was the offspring of Tennessee James,  
deceased, an alleged full blood Choctaw Indian, and a Choctaw



freedman by the name of July Joseph, who the Commission, in decision of February 7, 1905, says is enrolled at No. 2608, Choctaw freedman roll. Tennessee Askew and the other principal applicants are the children of Susan Harris nee James, and Thomas Harris, a Choctaw freedman. Tennessee Askew and Frank Askew, a non-citizen, are the parents of Frederick, Maggie and Lillie Askew, and Belmore and Burris Harris are the legitimate children of Josephine Harris. The blood of their father is not shown by the record in the case. Tennessee Askew and her brothers and sisters are therefore one-fourth Indian blood and three-fourths freedman blood; while all of the children except those of Josephine Harris are one-eighths Choctaw blood and seven-eighths freedman blood. The degree of Indian Blood of the Harris children cannot be ascertained from the record, if their father was of Indian blood. If he was not, they are also only one-eighth Indian blood.

The Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes in decision of February 7, 1905, says that Susan and Tom Harris are identified on the 1896 Choctaw census roll of freedmen, Chickasaw District, at Nos. 1973 and 1972; that Tennessee Askew, Joseph, Agnes, Frances and Mary Harris are identified on this roll at Nos. 1974, 1976, 1977, 1978 and 1979 respectively.

On page 3 of the testimony taken December 19, 1903, it is said by the Commission that the names of Susan Harris, Tennessee, Josephine, Agnes and Frances Harris do not appear on the 1893 "Leased District" payment roll of Choctaw citizens,

and their names are not found on any roll in the possession of the Commission except the one above mentioned.

It is alleged in the application that Susan Harris drew "Learned District" payment money in 1893. On September 23, 1893, Phillip Stevenson testified as follows:

I went down to Atoka when she drewed and brought it home with me. I saw her draw her money and brought her back with me in the wagon.

From what is said by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes with reference to Susan Harris's name not appearing on the 1893 roll it would seem that Mr. Stevenson is mistaken.

The application for the transfer of the names of the principal applicants and the enrollment of the miners as citizens by blood seems to be based on the decision of the Department in the Joe and Dillard Perry case. Joe and Dillard Perry are the children of Eliza Perry, who was part Indian blood and part Negro, and Charles Perry, a recognized citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation; while the parents and grandparents of these applicants were never recognized as citizens of the Choctaw Nation, with the possible exception of Tennessee James, who, it is alleged, was a full blood Choctaw. The descent from Tennessee James seems to be entirely too remote to allow these applicants to avail themselves of her recognition as a Choctaw by blood, if such be the fact, to come within the purview of the opinion in the Joe and Dillard Perry case.

None of the applicants is more than one-fourth Indian blood. They and all of their ancestors, with the possible exception of Tennessee James, have been recognized as freedmen and enrolled as such, and the Office does not believe that the principal applicants are entitled to have their names transferred from the freedman roll to the blood roll and the minor applicants enrolled as citizens by blood, as it does not consider that they come within the doctrine laid down by the Department in the Joe and Dillard Perry case. It is recommended, therefore, that their applications be denied.

In report of October 26, 1906, the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes says that application for enrollment of the principal applicants as citizens by blood was made within the time required by law. A copy of this report was forwarded to the Department with Office report of November 20, 1906, Land 51043, 66299, 95461, to which attention is invited.

Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee,

Acting Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

April 12, 1908.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

Referring to Department letter of March 14, 1908, (I. T. D. 2224, 1908) I enclose a report from the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated April 6, 1908, in the matter of the Ghostaw Freedman case of Tennessee Askew et al.

The record was forwarded to the Department March 3, 1908,

Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee,  
Acting Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

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February 12, 1907.

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Direct.

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sirs:

The petitions for the enrollment of the following-named persons as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, received with your letter of July 5, 1906, are denied, in accordance with the recommendation of the Indian Office in letter of January 17, 1907, submitting your report, namely, Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris, Frederick Askew, Maggie Askew, Lillie Askew, Belmore (or Valmon) Harris, and Burris Harris.

The provision in section 2 of the act of April 26, 1906 ( 34 Stat., 137), relative to the completion of the rolls of the Choctaw Nation, would prevent further hearing in this case.

A copy of Indian Office letter of January 17, 1907, is inclosed, also copy of its letter of April 12, 1905, submitting the report of the Commission of April 6, 1905.

The Indian Office will advise local attorneys of this action.

The papers in the case and a carbon copy hereof have been



sent to the Indian Office by the files.

Respectfully,

Thos Ryan  
First Assistant Secretary

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

January 17, 1907.

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The Secretary of the Interior.

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and their names are not found on any roll in the possession of the Commission except the one above mentioned.

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Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee,

Acting Commissioner.

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OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON.

April 12, 1905.

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The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

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The record was forwarded to the Department March 8, 1905,

Very respectfully,

C. F. Iarrabee,  
Acting Commissioner.

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 6, 1908.

Tennessee Askew,

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 1908, the Secretary of the Interior affirmed the decision of this Commission, rendered February 7, 1908, denying the application for the enrollment yourself, your brother, Thomas Harris, your sisters Josephine Harris, Frances Harris and Mary Harris, and your minor child Frederick Askew, as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and granting the application for the enrollment of yourself, said brother, sisters and child, as Choctaw freedmen.

Your names will now be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,  
SIGNED

*T. B. Needles.*

Commissioner in Charge.

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 2, 1908.

S. T. Wiggins,

Attorney at Law,

Fishemingo, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 1908, the Secretary of the Interior affirmed the decision of this Commission, rendered February 7, 1908, denying the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew, as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and granting the application for their enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Their names will now be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*T. B. Needles.*

Commissioner in Charge.

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7-D-181

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 6, 1908.

Grace, Grace & Eleakere,

Accountants at Law,

Adams, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 1908, the Secretary of the Interior affirmed the decision of this Commission, rendered February 7, 1908, denying the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew, as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and granting the application for their enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Their names will now be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*T.B. Needles.*

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 6, 1905.

Wangfield, McMurray & Gornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of March, 1905, the Secretary of the Interior affirmed the decision of this Commission, rendered February 7, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew, as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and granting the application for their enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Their names will now be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*T. B. Needles.*

Commissioner in Charge.



COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 6, 1903.

The Honorable,

~~The Secretary of the Interior.~~

Sir

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of Departmental letter of March 14, 1903, (I.T.D. 2284-1903), confirming the decision of the Commission of February 7, 1903, admitting to enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris and Frederick Askew.

The Department invites attention to the fact that the name of Tennessee Harris, age 18, female, Census Card 616, is found on the roll of Choctaw Freedmen, list Number 2, opposite Number 1777, which list was approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 8, 1903, and desires to be informed whether Tennessee Harris, as above enrolled, is identical with the Tennessee Askew (nee Harris), the principal applicant admitted to enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman by the decision of the Commission of February 7, 1903.

Reporting in this matter, I have the honor to advise that Tennessee Harris, whose name appears opposite Number 1777 on the list constituting a part of the final roll of Choctaw Freedmen, transmitted by the Commission with its letter of March 16,

1903, and approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 8, 1903, was identified from the 1896 census roll of Chectaw Freedmen, as a resident of Jackson County, her name appearing upon said roll opposite Number 1923. Tennessee Harris was enrolled as a resident of Jackson County, Chectaw Nation, and her post office address is Oberlin, Indian Territory.

She is a daughter of John Harris and Eliza Garrett, the latter being enrolled as a Chectaw Freedman and her name appearing opposite Number 1776 upon the partial roll of Chectaw Freedmen, as approved by the Acting Secretary of the Interior on April 8, 1903.

Tennessee Askew (nee Harris), the principal applicant admitted to enrollment as a Chectaw Freedman under the decision of the Commission of February 7, 1906, was identified from the 1896 census roll of Chectaw Freedmen, as a resident of the Chickasaw Nation, her name appearing upon said roll opposite Number 1974. Tennessee Askew resides in the Chickasaw Nation, her present post office address being Springer, Indian Territory.

She is a daughter of Tom and Susan Harris (or Harrison), both of whom are now dead, and who were, during their lifetime, recognized Chectaw Freedmen and residents of the Chickasaw Nation.

It is noted as it is conclusively demonstrated that the Tennessee Harris, whose name appears opposite Number 1777 upon the approved roll of Choctaw Freedmen, is not identical with the Tennessee Harris (now Harris) mentioned in the decision of the Commission of February 7, 1898, no action has been taken as to the cancellation of the name of Tennessee Harris, Number 1777, from the approved roll of Choctaw Freedmen, and the name of Tennessee Harris will now be included upon a schedule of Choctaw Freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED: *T. B. Needles*

COMMISSIONER IN CHARGE.

Through the Commissioner  
Of Indian Affairs.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

January 17, 1907.

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Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee,

Acting Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, LLB  
WASHINGTON.

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February 12, 1907.

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Direct.

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Sir:

The petitions for the enrollment of the following-named persons as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, received with your letter of July 5, 1906, are denied, in accordance with the recommendation of the Indian Office in letter of January 17, 1907, submitting your report, namely, Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris, Frederick Askew, Maggie Askew, Lillie Askew, Belmore (or Velmon) Harris, and Burris Harris.

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A copy of Indian Office letter of January 17, 1907, is inclosed, also copy of its letter of April 12, 1905, submitting the report of the Commission of April 6, 1905.

The Indian Office will advise local attorneys of this action.

The papers in the case and a carbon copy hereof have been

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sent to the Indian Office for its files.

Respectfully,

Thos Ryan  
First Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON

April 12, 1905.

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The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

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Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee

Acting Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1907.

Tennessee Askew,

Milo, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

You are hereby advised that on February 12, 1907, the Secretary of the Interior denied the petition submitted by J. O. Pool as your attorney, Hecoma, Texas, praying for the transfer of your name and the names of Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris, Frederick Askew, Maggie Askew, Lillie Askew, Belmore or Velmon Harris and Burris Harris from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

F-198

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1907.

J. O. Pool,

Attorney at Law,

Nocona, Texas.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that on February 12, 1907, the secretary of the Interior denied the petition submitted by you for the transfer of the names of Tennessee Askew, Thomas Harris, Josephine Harris, Agnes Harris, Frances Harris, Mary Harris, Frederick Askew, Maggie Askew, Lillie Askew, Belmore or Velmon Harris and Burris Harris from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

X-195

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1907.

Cruce, Cruse & Bleakmore,

Attorneys at Law,

Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

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Respectfully,

Commissioner.

F-198

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S. T. Wiggins,

Attorney at Law,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

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Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Manfield, McMurray & Cornish,  
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Respectfully,

Commissioner.





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Laura Colbert, et, al.

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Transferred from Chickasaw Freedman  
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See Testimony in Chickasaw Freedman  
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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Sarah Colbert*

as a citizen of the

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Sarah Calbert, born on the 25 day of March, 1901  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: R. P. Calbert, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Laura Calbert, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-Office: Berwyn and Tex

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

Southern INDIAN TERRITORY, District. }

I, Laura Calbert, on oath state that I am 29 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that I am the lawful wife of R. P. Calbert, who is a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a Female child was (Male or female.) born to me on the 25 day of March, 1901; that said child has been named Sarah Calbert, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31 day of Oct, 1902

J. P. Taylor  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

Southern INDIAN TERRITORY, District. }

I, Susan Franklin, a Midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Laura Calbert, wife of R. P. Calbert, on the 25 day of March, 1901; that there was born to her on said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Sarah Calbert (Male or female.)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of November, 1902

Susan Franklin  
Notary Public.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 10, 1902.

R.P. Gilbert,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Sarah Gilbert, infant daughter of R.P. and Laura Gilbert, born March 28, 1902; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

Chickasaw Freedmen  
436, 588

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 26, 1903.

Mrs. Laura Colbert,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of October 3, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you complain that your people are only receiving twenty and forty acres a piece for your allotments, and ask that you be granted your full rights.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the Commission is asking the allotment of the lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations to the citizens and freedmen of these two Nations whose enrollment is approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and under the provisions of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902, each citizen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations whose enrollment is approved by the Secretary of the Interior is entitled to receive an allotment of land equal in value to three hundred and twenty acres of the average allottable land of these two tribes, and each Choctaw and Chickasaw freedman whose enrollment is approved by the Secretary of the Interior is entitled to receive an allotment of land equal

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in value to forty acres of the average allottable lands of the  
Choctaw-Chickasaw country.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 9, 1906.

R. P. Colbert,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 25, asking that certain land described in your letter be reserved for Laura Colbert, pending a decision in the matter of the application for the transfer of her name from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of said Nation.

In reply you are advised that the application for the transfer of the name of Laura Colbert from the roll of freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation has been denied by the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes and is now pending before the Department.

You are advised that if other persons have filed on lands on which she owns improvements, she would be permitted to make application therefor at the Land Office in the nation in which the land is located for the purpose of instituting contest.

Respectfully,

MR

Commissioner.



Choctaw Fr. 1171

El. Roberts

Fr. 1171

ENROLLMENT

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CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

Eli Roberts, et, al.

Transferred from Chickasaw Freedman  
card # 559.

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Chickasaw Freedmen card 559.

In the matter of the application of Eli Roberts and others  
for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen.

Jack Roberts being sworn by Commissioner A.S. McKennon says:

My half brother Eli Roberts, 31, belonged to Caroline Colbert.

His wife Mary, 24, is daughter of Sallie Christian who belonged  
to Sibbie McCoy. His children are: Cora, 6; Ida, 5; Simon, 3; and  
Saincy, 1.

Eli Roberts  
Mary Roberts  
Cora Roberts  
Ida Roberts  
Simon Roberts  
Saincy Roberts

enrolled.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Harvey Roberts*

as a citizen of the

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved OCT 20 1902 190

*P. A. Buckner*

Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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*[Signature]*

ACTING CHIEF

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Harvey Roberts, born on the 3d day of Jan, 1895  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: Eli Roberts, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Mary Roberts, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-Office: Berwyn and Tex

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Sauther District.

I, Mary Roberts, on oath state that I am 28  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Eli Roberts, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a male child was  
(Male or female.)  
born to me on the 3d day of Jan 1895 1902; that said child has been  
named Harvey Roberts, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1902.J. D. Taylor

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Sauther District.

I, Malinda Clay, a mid wife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Mary Roberts, wife of Eli Roberts,  
on the 3d day of Jan 1895 1902; that there was born to her on said  
date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
named Harvey Roberts.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)A. E. Eastman  
B. A. ElliottMalinda Clay  
markSubscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1902.J. D. Taylor

Notary Public.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Samuel Roberts*

as a citizen of

*Cherokee*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child  
for whose enrollment application  
was made 9-20-78*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Saincy Roberts (Here insert name of child), born on the 21 day of August, 1896,  
 Name of Father: Eli Roberts Freedman Choctaw Nation,  
 a citizen of the  
 Name of Mother: Mary Roberts Freedman Choctaw Nation,  
 a citizen of the  
 Post-office Springer, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
 Southern District.

I, Mary Roberts, on oath state that I am twenty-nine  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Eli Roberts, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 21 day of August, 1896; that said child has been named  
Saincy Roberts, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

First day of Dec. 1903

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NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
 Southern District.

I, Zilpha Jones, a mid - wife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Mary Roberts, wife of Eli Roberts,  
 on the 21 day of August, 1896,  
 that a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Saincy Roberts

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

1st day of

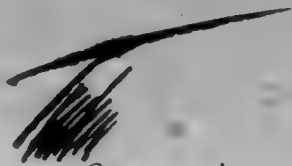
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NOTARY PUBLIC.

L. P.  
Application for enrollment  
of  
Lefane Chied  
Elliott Estelle Smith  
As a Citizen of the  
Chickasaw Nation

Approved Sept 22. 1898



Commissioner

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Agreed in writing both

Done at Little Rock, Ark. on  
June 1<sup>st</sup> 1888  
J. H. Remy and W. L.

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Sept 1888

W. A. Smith

Southern Judicial Divis. Ind. Ter.

Notary Public

My commission expires June 30 1889

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Norah Roberts

as a citizen of the

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

Nation.

OCT 20 1902

Approved

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T. H. Rushing

Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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J. H. Chamberlain

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Noraula Roberts, born on the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1901.  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Eli Roberts, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Mary Roberts, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-Office: Berwyn Ind Ter

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,

Southern District,

I, Mary Roberts, on oath state that I am 28  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Eli Roberts, who is a citizen, by  
adoption of the Chickasaw Nation, that a Female child was  
(Male or female.)  
born to me on the 19 day of April, 1901; that said child has been  
named Noraula Roberts, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK.

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct, 1902.

J. P. Doyle  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,

Southern District,

I, Rachel Johnson, a mid wife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Mary Roberts, wife of Eli Roberts,  
on the 19 day of April, 1901; that there was born to her on said  
date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
named Noraula Roberts.

WITNESSES TO MARK.

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15<sup>th</sup> day of Oct, 1902.

J. P. Doyle  
Notary Public.

Mustang, Indian Territory, August 12, 1901

Mr. Eli Roberts,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Vernale Roberts, the infant daughter of Eli and Mary Roberts, born April 19, 1901, and the same is returned to you herewith with the information that the mother of this child being a Chickasaw freedman, it will be necessary that application for its enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman be made.

For the purpose of assisting you in this matter, a new application for the enrollment of this child has been prepared in this office and the same is enclosed you herewith. Upon return of the same properly executed, the matter will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 3, 1902.

Eli Roberts,

Berwin, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Harvey and Noraola Roberts, children of Eli and Mary Roberts, has been filed with the Commission. Two blank applications for the enrollment of infant children are inclosed herewith, which you should immediately have filled out and return to this office in the inclosed envelope which requires no postage.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two disinterested witnesses. This evidence should be supplied at once as nothing further can be done relative to the enrollment of your children, Harvey and Noraola Roberts, as Chickasaw freedmen until same is supplied.

Respectfully,

Env.  
S B.C.

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 20, 1902.

Eli Roberts,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Mary Roberts and Malinda Clay relative to the birth of Harvey Roberts, minor child of Eli and Mary Roberts, January 2, 1899; also the affidavits of Mary Roberts and Rachel Johnson relative to the birth of Moravia Roberts, minor child of Eli and Mary Roberts, April 19, 1901; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of the birth of the above named children.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1171.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

ElI Roberts,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Saincy Roberts, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of said child has ever been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank affidavit.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

You should give this matter your immediate attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of Saincy Roberts as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation until this affidavit, properly executed, is received.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.



17-1171

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 9, 1903.

Eli Roberts,

Springer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Mary Roberts and Zilpha Jones relative to the birth of your minor daughter Sainey Roberts, August 21, 1896; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment of Sainey Roberts as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1171

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 9, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card  
No. 1171:

"No. 6 born Aug. 21, 1896: proof of birth  
filed Dec. 9, 1903"

You are, therefore, requested to make like notation upon  
the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above  
information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| Eli Roberts | 31 |
| Mary "      | 24 |
| Cora "      | 6  |
| Ida "       | 5  |
| Samson "    | 3  |
| Laincy "    | 1  |

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Choctaw Fr 1172

Jack Roberts

Fr 1172

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 560.

In the matter of the application of Jack Roberts and others  
for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen:

Jack Roberts being sworn by Commissioner A.S. McKennon says:

I am 38 years old, and belonged to Caroline Colbert. My wife  
Alice is daughter of Lucinda Abram who belonged to Simon James.

Our children are: George, 15; Willie, 13; Lyman, 10; Vester, 7; Maud, 5;

Ben C. 2.

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Jack Roberts  
Alice Roberts  
George Roberts

Willie Roberts  
Lyman Roberts  
Vester Roberts  
Maud Roberts  
Ben Roberts

enrolled:



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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Ben Le Roberts*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child for whose  
enrollment application was  
made 9-20-98*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,

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CHAIRMAN.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Ben Carter Roberts, born on the 24 day of November, 1895  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Joel Roberts Indean Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Alice Roberts Indean Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Berwyn I.T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, Alice Roberts, on oath state that I am 33  
 years of age and a citizen, by Indean Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Joel Roberts, who is a citizen, by  
Indean Choctaw Nation; that a Male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 24 day of November, 1895; that said child has been named  
Ben Carter, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

27 day of December, 1903  
John W. Massey  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

INDIAN TERRITORY,

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

I, Mary Roberts, on oath state that I am  
24 years of age, that my post office address is Berwyn  
I.T. that I am personally acquainted with Ben Carter Roberts

# AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

I, Alice Roberts, on oath state that I am 33  
years of age and a freeman, by Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Joseph Roberts, who is a freeman, by  
Flood of the Choctaw Nation; that a Male child was  
born to me on 24 day of November 1895; that said child has been named  
Ben Carter, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses

R. A. Stearns  
W. H. Massey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

25 day of December 1903  
W. H. Massey  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA?  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

I, Mary Roberts, on oath state that I am  
34 years of age, that my post office address is Brown  
I. T., that I am personally acquainted with Alice Roberts and  
know that there was born to her on the 24th day of November 1895,  
a male child, which child is still living and said to have been  
named Ben Carter Roberts.

Mary Roberts

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of Dec

1903.

W. H. Massey  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

1803.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of Nov

1903

named Ben Carter Roberts.

I have called upon said child in said State and said to have been known that there was born to her on the 24th day of November 1895.

I am personally acquainted with Alice Roberts and

know that there was born to her on the 24th day of November 1895.

on oath state that I am

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

Rachel Johnson

I, \_\_\_\_\_ on oath state that I am

49 years of age, that my post office address is Brown

that I am personally acquainted with Alice Roberts and

know that there was born to her on the 24th day of November 1895,

a male child, which child is still living and said to have been

named Ben Carter Roberts.

Rachel Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of Nov

1903.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Lemue Roberts*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

DEC 5 1903

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child for  
whose enrollment application  
was made 9-20-98.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

DEC 5 1903

  
Chairman.



## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Samuel Roberts, born on the 25 day of January, 1898  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Jack Roberts, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Alice Roberts, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Berwyn D.C.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Southern District.

I, Alice Roberts, on oath state that I am 33  
 years of age and a citizen, by Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Jack Roberts, who is a citizen, by Choctaw Nation;  
 that a Male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 25 day of Jan, 1898 that said child has been named  
Samuel Roberts, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Dec, 1903.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Southern District.

I, Lou Abram, Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Alice Roberts, wife of Jack Roberts  
 on the 25 day of January, 1898 that there was born to her on said  
 date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Samuel Roberts  
 (Male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of Dec, 1903.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 15, 1908.

Jack Roberts,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 15th instant returning the corrected application for the enrollment as a Freedman of the Chickasaw Nation of Richard Roberts the infant son of Jack and Alice Roberts, born September 9, 1902, and the same now being in proper form has been accepted and filed by the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 3, 1906.

Jack Roberts,

Berwin, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It does not appear from the records of this office that evidence of the birth of Lemuel Roberts, son of Jack and Eliza Roberts, has been filed with the Commission. There is inclosed you herewith a blank application for the enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be witnessed by two disinterested witnesses. This evidence should be furnished immediately as the same is necessary to determine the rights of your son, Lemuel Roberts, as a Chickasaw freedman, and nothing further can be done relative thereto until same is supplied.

An envelope for your reply is inclosed herewith, which requires no postage.

Respectfully,

Env.  
D.C.

Acting Chairman.

17-1172

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Jack Roberts,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Ben C. and Lemuel Roberts, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence as to the birth of these children has ever been filed with the Commission. You should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank affidavits.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your said children as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation until this evidence is furnished.

Respectfully,

S. B. C.  
Env.

17-1172

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 18, 1902.

Jack Roberts,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Mary Roberts and Rachel Johnson relative to the birth of your minor child, Ben Carter Roberts, November 24, 1895; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Jack Roberts 38  
Alice Roberts 33  
George " 14-  
Willie " 13  
Lyman " 10  
Fester " 7  
Maud " 5-  
Ben C " 2  

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Choctaw Fr. 1173

Martin Wright

Granted Feb 28, 1907

Fr. 1173

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 589.

In the matter of the application of Martin Wright and others

for admission as Chickasaw Freedmen.

(See testimony of Martha Wright, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 569).

Martha Wright

Martha Wright

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Bliss Wright as a Choctaw freedman.

17-1173.

Form No. 260.

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ROBERT G. CLOWRY, President and General Manager.

Receiver's No.

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**SEND** the following message subject to the terms  
on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Fred L. Marr

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 19, 1907

Chief Clerk Chickasaw Land Office,  
Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Send good man to Milo to take testimony relative to right of minor  
child Eliza Wright to enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman. Child is  
probably with grandmother Mary Ann Stephenson and is said to be  
child of Maggie Wright, now deceased, non-citizen, and Martin Wright  
Chickasaw Freedman and to have been born September 4, 1897. Want  
proof that Martin Wright was father of child and fact can be es-  
tablished by proof that Martin and Maggie Wright were married and  
child born in wedlock, or that Martin recognized child as his.  
Take testimony of neighbors in addition to that of Mary Ann  
Stephenson.

O B O R Paid.

BIXBY

COMMISSIONER

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT ON BACK.



Form No. 200.

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ROBERT G. CLOWRY, President and General Manager.

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**SEND**

the following message subject to the terms on back hereof, which are hereby agreed to.

Muskogee, I. T., Feb. 20, 1907.

Fred T. Marr,  
Chief Clerk Chickasaw Land Office,  
Ardmore, Indian Territory.

Marriage license and certificate of Martin Wright will be sufficient evidence. Notify him to send same immediately to Muskogee. Forward testimony taken by you in Ardmore.

NIXBY,

O N G R

Commissioner.

READ THE NOTICE AND AGREEMENT ON BACK.



POSTAL TELEGRAPH-CABLE CO. OF TEXAS

PRESS TELEGRAM.

13 DAY D. 77 Collect Govt.

Ardmore I.T. Feb. 20-07

Bixby Commissioner,

Muskegee I.T.

Replying your telegram in matter enrollment Elisa Wright have taken here, testimony of the father Martin Wright which shows he and Maggie Wright were legally married and that he is father of Elisa Wright. Martin Wright states that he has marriage license at home and will send same to Muskegee. Testimony appears conclusive and unnecessary to go to mile. Will go at once if you wish more testimony wire.

Marr Chief Clerk

12-05 P.M.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1907.

I, Andrew J. Gadenhire, Clerk to the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, do solemnly swear that on January 30, 1907, I proceeded to Milo, Indian Territory, to procure evidence relative to the birth of Eliza Wright, an applicant for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation. Upon arriving at Milo, Indian Territory, I was informed, by residents of said town, that the applicant, Eliza Wright, was at present living with her grand-mother, Mary Ann Stephenson, near Milo, Indian Territory.

I then proceeded to the home of Mary Ann Stephenson, and I was informed that both Mary Ann Stephenson and the applicant were away from home. I was further informed that Martin Wright, the father of the applicant, was then living at some point in Oklahoma Territory, and that Maggie Wright, the mother of the applicant, was dead, and that the applicant was then living and had always lived with her grand-mother, Mary Ann Stephenson.

I was further informed that Mary Ann Stephenson probably would be the only one living in that vicinity who could make affidavit as to the exact date of the birth of the applicant. In order that the proper proof of birth might be furnished this office, I left the necessary blanks at the home of the said Mary Ann Stephenson with the request that they be handed her upon her return, and, after the same had been properly executed and sworn to before a notary public, that they be forwarded at once to the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this the 18th day of February, 1907.

*Andrew J. Gadenhire*  
*John E. Tidwell*  
Notary Public.

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

I, C. M. Campbell, Clerk of the United States Court, Southern District, Indian Territory, do hereby certify that on April 19, 1895, a fire destroyed the Court House at Ardmore, Indian Territory, together with a part of the records; that among the records so destroyed were the records of all the marriage licenses issued prior to April 19, 1895; and that this office, by reason of such loss, is unable to furnish a certified copy of any marriage license issued prior to that date.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, Witness my hand and official  
seal, this 20th day of February, 1907.

C. M. CAMPBELL, Clerk.

By  Chief Deputy.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes  
Chickasaw Land Office  
Ardmore, Ind. Ter., February 20, 1907.

In the matter of the application for enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation of Eliza Wright, Choctaw Freedman Card No. 1173.

Martin Wright, being duly sworn by Fred T. Marr, notary public, testifies as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSIONER

- Q What is your name? A Martin Wright.  
Q What is your post office address? A Ardmore now, I was living at Woodford when I was enrolled.  
Q You are living at Ardmore now? A Yes, sir.  
Q How old are you at this time? A Thirty-seven.  
Q Have you any children? A Yes, sir.  
Q How many? A Two.  
Q What are their names? A Millard and Eliza.  
Q What was the name of Eliza's mother? A Maggie.  
Q Is Maggie Wright living at this time? A No, sir, she is dead.  
Q When did she die? A She died in 1897.  
Q How old is Eliza at this time? A She is about eleven years old.  
Q Were you and Maggie Wright legally married? A Yes, sir.  
Q Where were you married? A At Ardmore.  
Q On what date? A Married on the 23d day of November, 1893.  
Q Is Eliza Wright living at this time? A Yes, sir.  
Q Where is she living and with whom? A She lives at Milo, Indian Territory, with Mary Stevenson.  
Q Is Mary Stevenson related to her? A She is her grandma.  
Q Have you a copy of the license and certificate of the marriage between yourself and Maggie Wright? A No, sir, not with me.  
Q Have you a copy at home? A Yes, sir. I have been to the office of the clerk of the court here to get a certified copy of the issuance of this license but he states that a fire destroyed the court house at Ardmore in 1895 and he is unable to supply copies of the records prior to that date. I have secured a certificate from him to that effect. (Certificate is presented)

Cinda Yates, stenographer for the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, states on oath that she reported the above and foregoing proceedings on the 20th day of February, 1907, and that same is a true and correct transcript of her stenographic notes thereof.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of February, 1907.

*Cinda Yates*  
*Fred T. Marr*  
Notary Public.



17-1173.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

*W. H. H.*

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Eliza Wright as a Choctaw freedman.

-: D E C I S I O N :-

It appears from the census card record in this case  
that on September 20, 1898 application was made to the Commission  
to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of Eliza Wright  
as a Choctaw freedman.

It further appears from the record herein, the census  
card record and the records of this office that Eliza Wright was  
born September 4, 1897 and is the daughter of Martin Wright, whose  
name appears opposite No. 3757 upon the final roll of Choctaw  
freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior February 16,  
1904 and Maggie Wright, deceased, a non citizen and that the  
applicant was living September 20, 1902.

I am of the opinion that Eliza Wright should be enroll-  
ed as a Choctaw freedman under the provisions of the Acts of  
Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 496) and July 1, 1902  
(32 Stats., 641), and it is so ordered.

*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

FEB 28 1907

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 2, 1907.

Martin Wright,

Ardmore, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:-

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,, rendered February 28, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Eliza Wright as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that the name of Eliza Wright has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval. You will be notified of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Jame Bixby*

Commissioner.

Registered.  
Incl. 17-1173

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 2, 1907.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:-

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 28, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Eliza Wright as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that the name of Eliza Wright has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval. You will be notified of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*James Bixby*

Commissioner.

Registered.  
Incl. 17-1173

**IN RE****Application for Enrollment of****MINOR CHILD****Act of Congress Approved  
April 26, 1906.**.....  
**as a citizen of**..... **Nation.**.....  
**Approved**..... **190...**.....  
**Commissioner.**  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 22, 1906.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the.....Choctaw.....Nation,  
of ...Eliza Wright....., born on the ...4...day of ...Sept.....1897.  
[Here insert name of child]  
Name of Father: Martin Wright.....a citizen of the.....Choctaw.....Nation.  
Name of Mother: Maggie Wright.....a citizen of the.....Nation.  
Tribal enrollment of father.....Tribal enrollment of mother.....  
Postoffice.....Woodford L. Ty.....

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory, }  
So. Dist.....District. }

Grand-mother

I, Mary Ann Stephenson.....on oath state that I am.....

years of age and a citizen by.....of the.....Chickasaw.....Nation;  
mother  
that I am the lawful mother of Maggie Wright.....was  
who is a citizen, by  
Freedmanship of the.....Chickasaw.....Nation; that a female child was  
[Male or Female]  
born to me on...25...day of...Dec.....1873.; that said child has been named  
Eliza Wright.....is now living.  
and was living March 4, 1906

her  
Mary Ann Stephenson x  
mark

WITNESSES TO MARK:

her

Mary Ann Stephenson x  
mark

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this...4...day of...Febry.....1906. 7

W. A. Gorbet (SAL).....  
Notary Public

AFFIDAVIT OF ~~INTERVIEW~~ Acquaintance

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory, }  
So.....District. }

I, Mary Ann Stephenson.....a.....on oath state that I  
was acquainted

attended on With Maggie Wright.....wife of.....Martin Wright.....  
on the...4...day of...Sept.....1897.; that there was born to her on said date a female.....  
is now living  
[Male or Female]  
child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named...Eliza Wright.....

her  
Mary Ann Stephenson x  
mark

WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this...4...day of...Febry.....1906. 7

W. A. Gorbet (SAL).....  
Notary Public



IN RE  
Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

as a citizen of

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Eliza Wright, born on the 4 day of Sept, 1897  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Martin Wright a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Maggie Wright a citizen of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation.  
Residence: Woodford, I. T.

AFFIDAVIT OF ~~Grand-mother~~ Grand-mother

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Le Bess DISTRICT. }

I, Mary Ann Stephenson, on oath state that I am \_\_\_\_\_  
years of age and a citizen by \_\_\_\_\_ of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the ~~mother~~ mother of Maggie Wright who was a citizen, by  
Freedmanly, of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
(Male or Female.)  
born to me on 24 day of Dec, 1873; that said child has been named  
Eliza Wright, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses) { Mary Ann Stephenson her  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of Feby, 1907.  
W. E. Gorker  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ~~Acquaintance~~ Acquaintance

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Le DISTRICT. }

I, Mary Ann Stephenson, on oath state that I  
~~do not~~ do not know Mrs. with Maggie Wright, wife of Martin Wright  
on the 4 day of Sept, 1897; that there was born to her on said date a female  
(Male or Female.)  
child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Eliza Wright.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses) { \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of Feby, 1907.  
W. E. Gorker  
Notary Public.

17-1173.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Martin Wright,  
Woodford, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your daughter, Eliza Wright, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence as to the birth of this child has ever been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Choctaw freedman until this affidavit is supplied.

Respectfully,

B.S.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1173

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 21, 1905.

Martin Wright,

Woodford, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your daughter, Eliza Wright, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation it does not appear that any evidence as to the birth of this child has ever been filed with this office, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to this office the inclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark it must be attested by two disinterested parties witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention, as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Choctaw Freedman until this proof is supplied.

Respectfully,

Inc. B.C.

Acting Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 12, 1907.

John Stephenson,

Milo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavit of  
Mary Ann Stephenson to the birth of Eliza Wright, September 4,  
1897, and the same have been filed in the matter of the enrollment  
of said child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

*W*



Martin Wright 28

Willard " 4

Eliza " 2

~~389~~

# Nation. Freedmen Roll.

**CARD No.**

FIELD No. \_\_\_\_\_

[illegible]

no individual names on either side.

| FATHER'S TRIBAL ENROLLMENT. |         | FATHER'S OWNER. | NAME OF MOTHER | MOTHER'S TRIBE AND CLAN |
|-----------------------------|---------|-----------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| No.                         | County. |                 |                | County.                 |
|                             |         | Holmes Colbert  | Wendell Holmes | Cherokee                |
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Choctaw Fr. 1174

Lucinda Williams

Fr. 1174

FREEDMAN

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Atoka, I.T., Aug. 29, 1899.

In the matter of the enrollment of Wallace Williams, said Williams, being sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him et als., testified:

I was born a slave and belonged to Britt Willie, a Chickasaw. I have been living in the Territory all my life.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

Wm. McDonald

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 747.

IN RE APPLICATION OF Lucinda Williams and  
others.

WOMEN BY

WOMEN BY

Lucinda Williams says:

I am 28. My husband Wallace, is a  
Choctaw. I am daughter of Viney Love. (Chickasaw Freedmen Card  
748)

I have children: Addie, 9; Jesse S.R. 8; and Lela, 7.

Lucinda Williams  
Addie Williams  
Jesse S.R. Williams  
Lela Williams

enrolled



|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Lucinda Williams | 28 |
| Addie            | 9  |
| Jesse S. K.      | 8  |
| Sela             | 7  |

747

To all whom it may concern:—Be it  
known that Wallace Williams and Lu-  
cinda Lore were joined together in the  
Holy Bonds of Matrimony by me a  
minister of the gospel of Jesus Christ  
this the Twentieth day of January  
1888

J. H. Wright


194747

Chickasaw Freedman  
Card No. 747

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

**FILED**

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 ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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# MEMORANDA

(Date) 8/29 1899.

Name Waverle Williams

Choctaw? County Year No. 3664

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|        |      |      |     |
|--------|------|------|-----|
| County | Year | Page | No. |
| County | Year | Page | No. |
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| County | Year | Page | No. |

Linda Williams (his wife)  
is already registered as a  
Chickasaw citizen. But this  
man on some card.

Choctaw Fr. 1175

Lizzie Lawrence

See Chickasaw Freedman  
#803



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Merle G. Lawrence*

as a citizen of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved,

JUN 25 1902

1902

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED  
JUN 25 1902

*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a <sup>Fredman</sup> ~~citizen~~ of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Merle G. Lawrence (Here insert name of child.), born on the 16 day of Feb, 1902  
Name of Father: Melvin Lawrence <sup>Fredman</sup> ~~citizen~~ of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Lizzie Lawrence <sup>Fredman</sup> ~~citizen~~ of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, High, Ia

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. }  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District. }

1. Lizzie Lawrence, on oath state that I am 25  
years of age and a <sup>Fredman</sup> ~~citizen~~, by Lead, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Melvin Lawrence <sup>Fredman</sup> ~~citizen~~, by  
Lead, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1902; that said child has been  
named Merle Goldie, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.) }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of June, 1902.

R. W. Luebaugh  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. }  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District. }

1. J. S. Fulton, a Physician, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Lizzie Lawrence, wife of Melvin Lawrence,  
on the 16 day of February, 1902; that there was born to her on  
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Merle Goldie.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.) }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of June, 1902.

R. W. Luebaugh  
NOTARY PUBLIC

CHOCTAW

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN  
IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Melvin Lawrence jr  
as a citizen of the

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child who was listed  
for enrollment Sept 27, 1898

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
FILED

CHAIRMAN

Filed with

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

1175

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a <sup>adopted</sup> citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
Lehigh I. Y. born on the 3 day of July, 1887  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Melvin Lawrence, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Lizzie Lawrence, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-Office: Lehigh St

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Lizzie Lawrence, on oath state that I am 26  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Melvin Lawrence, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation, that a male child was  
(Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 3 day of July, 1887; that said child has been  
 named Melvin Lawrence, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of Sept, 1904.

Wm. H. Lieberbach  
 Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, J. S. Fullon, a Physician, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Lizzie Lawrence, wife of Melvin Lawrence,  
 on the 3 day of July, 1887, that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
 named Melvin Lawrence.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of Sept, 1904.

Wm. H. Lieberbach  
 Notary Public.

Chick. Freed. Off.

Waskagee, Indian Territory, June 27, 1908.

Melvin Lawrence,

Waskagee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Marie G. Lawrence, the infant daughter of Melvin and Lissie Lawrence, born February 16, 1908, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge,



17-1378

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 18, 1894.

Lennie B. Lawrence,

Tahleah, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 11th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the application for enrollment of your minor son, Melvin Lawrence.

You are informed it appears from our records that Melvin Lawrence, Jr., is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but before the application for his enrollment can receive further consideration, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with evidence of his birth and a blank application for the enrollment of an infant child wherein the facts may be stated in enclosed you herewith, which you are requested to have properly executed and returned to this office with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

BC.

17-1175

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 6, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby requested to place the following notation upon duplicate Choctaw Freedman enrollment card number 1175 Lizzie Lawrence et al,

"No. 8 born July 3, 1897, proof of birth filed Sept. 6, 1904."

Respectfully,

Chas. J. [Signature]

22-1176

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 8, 1904.

Missie Lawrence,

Lehigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of J. E. Fulton relative to the birth of your minor son Melvin Lawrence, which occurred July 3, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1175

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 12, 1907.

Lizzie Lawrence,

Lehigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 4, 1907, in which you state you have a child born May 21, 1904 and you wish to know if there is any chance to get her on the roll; You also state you have one born February 8, 1907, and ask concerning her right to enrollment.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, provided only for the enrollment of minor children of citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations who were living March 4, 1906, and the time within which applications could be received for the enrollment of such minor children under said act expired July 25, 1906.

You are further advised that the Secretary of the Interior is without authority under the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, to approve the enrollment of any persons subsequent to March 4, 1907.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

17-1178

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 26, 1907.

Linnie B. Lawrence,  
Griffin, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 13, 1907, in which you state that a letter was written you from this office in answer to one from you requesting to be informed if it was too late to enroll your two children, but the letter was lost and that you never got to read it, and you now ask if another letter may not be written you in regard to the matter; you also ask relative to your deeds.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the time within which applications could be received for the enrollment of minor children of citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations under the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, expired July 25, 1906, and in this connection your attention is invited to the following provision of the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906:

"That the rolls of the tribes affected by this Act shall be fully completed on or before the fourth day of March, nineteen hundred and seven, and the Secretary



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of the Interior shall have no jurisdiction to approve  
the enrollment of any person after such date.

The matter of your appeal referred to was the subject  
subject of a separate communication.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

Choc. Fr 1176

Noah McCoy

Fr 1176

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 836

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Noah McCoy and others.

WCS

COMMISSIONER MOORE ON

Willis McCoy says:

I am 46. I am a Choctaw. My wife

Eliza, deceased belonged to Cunish Matubby. I had children  
by her. Two married. The unmarried ones are: Noah, 19; Dave, 15;  
Rindy, 14; and Cordie, 12.

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Noah McCoy  
Dave McCoy  
Rindy McCoy  
Cordie McCoy

enrolled.

19-836.

For the ...  
Cecilia Gruning

No. 532

## Certificate of Record of Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY, } SCT.  
CENTRAL DISTRICT.

I, E. J. FANNIN, Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that the License for and Certificate of the Marriage of

Mr. *John W. Under* and

Miss *Marinda M. Gray*

was filed in my office in said Territory and District the *16* day of *Oct* A. D. *1900* and duly recorded in Book *one* of Marriage Record, Page *416*

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, at *Atoka* this *16* day of *Oct* A. D. *1900*

E. J. FANNIN,  
Clerk.

By *Dong Johnson* Deputy.

# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY, SS.  
CENTRAL DISTRICT.

To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize the Rite and publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between  
Mrs. John Grunley  
of Waparrucka in the Indian Territory, aged 28  
years, and Mrs. Mariada W. Co.,  
of Waparrucka in the Indian Territory, aged 18  
years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this  
License to the parties therein named.

WITNESS My hand and official seal, this

29 day of Sept A.D. 1900

Don J. Gleason  
Deputy.

J. L. Lammie  
Clerk of the United States Court.

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY, SS.  
CENTRAL DISTRICT.

I, Chas Anderson  
a Minister of the gospel  
do hereby CERTIFY, that on the 2nd day of Oct A.D. 1900  
I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and  
publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 3rd day of Oct A.D. 1900

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the  
Indian Territory, Central District, Book Page 153

Charles Anderson  
Minister of the Gospel

NOTE.—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory,  
from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One  
Hundred Dollars (100.00).



19-836

Atoka, Indian Territory, October 2, 1903.

Noah McCoy,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 28, 1903, requesting information relative to the enrollment of Noah, Cordia and Dave McCoy and Marinda Grundy as Chickasaw freedmen.

You are informed it appears from our records that Noah McCoy, his brother Dave and sisters Rindy and Cordie McCoy are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their rights to final enrollment as such have not yet been determined.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1175

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 13, 1904.

Mariandy Grundy,

Lahigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 14th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your minor son, Osicola Grundy, stating that you recently appeared at the Land Office at Atoka, Indian Territory, for the purpose of filing for yourself and child, where you were informed that the name of your child had not been approved.

You are advised it appears from our records that on November 20, 1902, at Atoka, Indian Territory, application was made by you for the enrollment of Osicola Grundy as a Chickasaw freedman. It appears from the affidavits executed on the above mentioned date that said child was born October 1st, 1902. The Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations September 25, 1902, among other things provides that no child born after the date of said ratification to a citizen or freedman shall be entitled to enrollment or to participate in the distribution of the tribal property of the Choctaws and Chickasaws.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

|            |     |
|------------|-----|
| Noah McCay | 19. |
| Dave       | 15  |
| Rindy      | 14  |
| Cordie     | 12  |

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Choc. Mt #77

Neely Factor

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 905.

IN RE APPLICATION OF Neely Factor and others.

SWORN BY  
COMMISSIONER MCKENNON.

(See testimony of Alfred Eubanks, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 904).

Neely Factor  
Eva Factor  
Oscar Factor  
Everett Factor  
Forest Factor

enrolled.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Forest & Evelyn*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation

Approved

*DEC 10 1903*

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child  
for whose enrollment application  
was made 10-10-98.*

COMMISSIONER

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DEC 10 1903

CHOCTAW FREEDOM

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Forest Factor (Here insert name of child), born on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897.  
 Name of Father: Merly Factor a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Eva Factor a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Krebs, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Eva Factor, on oath state that I am 34  
 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Merly Factor, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897; that said child has been named  
Forest Factor and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Eva Factor

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

7<sup>th</sup>

day of

December, 1902

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Sally Henderson, a Mid-wife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Eva Factor, wife of Merly Factor,  
 on the 11<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897 that there was born to her on said  
 date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Forest Factor,  
 (Male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

J. L. WatsonSally Henderson

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Andrew Williams

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

7<sup>th</sup>

day of

December, 1902

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Sylvester Factory*  
as a citizen of  
*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved

AUG 2 1902

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Commissioner.DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Freedmen Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Sylvester Factory, born on the 13 day of Dec, 1899  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Nearly Factory a citizen of the Freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Eva Factory a citizen of the Freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Arbuckle, A. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District District.

I, Eva Factory, on oath state that I am 33  
 years of age and a citizen, by Freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Nearly Factory, who is a citizen, by  
Freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Male child was  
 (male or female.)  
 born to me on 13 day of Dec, 1899; that said child has been  
 named Sylvester Factory, and is now living.

WITNESSED TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Eva Factory

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of July1902H. J. Gylesby

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District District,

I, Lucy Brent, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Eva Factory, wife of Nearly Factory,  
 on the 13 day of Dec, 1899; that there was born to her on  
 said date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female.)  
 named Sylvester Factory.

WITNESSED TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Lucy BrentHarry Gylesby  
Attest

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

day of July1902H. J. Gylesby

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Offy Factory*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved

AUG 2 1902

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

FILED

AUG 2 1902

*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Effy Factory, born on the 14 day of June, 1902  
 (here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Mrs. Factory Dredman a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Eva Factory Dredman a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Krebs L.P.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Eva Factory, on oath state that I am 33  
Dredman years of age and a citizen, by of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Mrs. Factory, who is a citizen, by  
Dredman, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 (male or female.)  
 born to me on the 14 day of June, 1902; that said child has been  
 named Effy Factory, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Eva Factory

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of July, 1902.

H. J. Oglesby

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Mary Eastone, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Eva Factory, wife of Mrs. Factory  
 on the 14 day of June, 1902; that there was born to her on  
 said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female.)  
 named Effy Factory.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Mary Eastone x

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

H. J. Oglesby  
Joe Dredman

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of July, 1902.

H. J. Oglesby

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Chick. Freed. 900

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 2, 1902.

Nealy Factory,

Krebs, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the applications for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen of Sylvester Factory and Effy Factory, the infant children of Nealy and Eva Factory, and the same are returned to you herewith for the reason that they are not properly made out.

In the affidavit of the mother she states that she is a citizen by birth of the Choctaw Nation and the wife of Nealy Factory, a citizen by birth of the Choctaw Nation. You are advised that you and your wife appear upon the records of this Commission and upon the only tribal roll from which we are able to identify you, under the name of Factor and you appear as listed for enrollment by this Commission as Chickasaw freedmen.

Before the applications for the enrollment of your children can be given further consideration, it will be necessary that they be changed to conform with the above statements, and when the applications are returned in proper form, the matter will be given further consideration.

Yours truly,

Wash. D.C. 900

Montague, Indian Territory, July 10, 1900

Nealy Factory,

Krebs, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the applications for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen of Sylvester Factory and Kitz Factory, the infant children of Nealy and Eva Factory and the same are again returned to you.

As stated in our communication of the 2nd instant, you and your wife appear upon the records of this Commission and upon the only tribal roll from which we are able to identify you, under the name of "Factor", and you are requested to state whether your correct name is "Factor" or "Factory".

Upon return of the applications with the information desired as to your correct name, the matter will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge,

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Krebs, I.T. July the 20-1902.

Commission to the five civilized Tribes,

Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

I am not educated I can hardly write my name I do not know how it came on the Rolls any other way than Factory. If it appears on the roll Factor please change it to Nealy Factory and Eva Factory.

(signed) Nealy Factory.

Chickasaw Freedmen 205

10-500.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 2, 1900.

Healy Factory,

Krebs, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 30th ultimo, in which you state that the correct spelling of your surname is "Factory", not Factor, and you request that the same be changed upon the records of the Commission.

You are advised that your letter has been duly filed with our records, and the matter will receive proper consideration.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the applications for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen of Sylvester Factory, born December 13, 1880, and Effy Factory, born June 11, 1888, infant children of Healy and Eva Factory; and the applications being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission and these children listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.



17-2177.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Neely Factory,

Krebs, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Forest Factory, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of said child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank affidavit.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your prompt attention as until this affidavit is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your son as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1171

Waskogen, Indian Territory, December 10, 1908.

Healy Factor,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Mrs. Factor and Sally Henderson relative to the birth of your minor son, Forest Factor, January 11, 1897; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

|                   |        |    |
|-------------------|--------|----|
| Neely             | Factor | 28 |
| Eva               | "      | 28 |
| Osceola           | "      | 6  |
| Eunett            | "      | 3  |
| <del>Foster</del> | "      | 2  |

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Jennifer Lewis

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 908.

IN RE APPLICATION OF Jennie Lewis and others

VS

WILLIAM MOOREHEAD

Adam Lewis says:

I am a single man and have no children.

My mother, Jennie Lewis, 45, belonged to Mary Brown. She has children: Elizabeth, 16; Isaac, 14.

William Lewis, 23. I do not know of his family.

Paralee Lewis, 19. She has one child: Sampson Moorehead.

Jennie Lewis  
Adam Lewis  
Elizabeth Lewis  
Isom Lewis

enrolled.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
MARCH 22, 1904.

17-1178.  
19-909.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Adam Lewis as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, and for the enrollment of Paralee Lewis and her three minor children, Sampson Moore, Nathaniel Samuels and Mabel Samuels, as Choctaw freedmen.

Simon W. Lewis, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION

- Q What is your name? A Simon W. Lewis.  
Q Where do you live? A Featherston.  
Q Indian Territory, Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.  
Q Do you know Adam Lewis? A Yes, sir, he is my brother.  
Q Full brother? A Yes, sir.  
Q Same father and same mother? A Yes, sir, Jacob Lewis and Jennie Lewis.  
Q How old is Adam? A He must be something about -- about thirty-one.  
Q Where was Adam born? A Adam was born in Skullyville County.  
Q Was his mother a slave? A Yes, sir. Mother was a slave.  
Q To whom did she belong? A Tecumseh Brown, a Chickasaw in Jacks Fork County.  
Q Was Tecumseh's wife a Choctaw? A I don't know.  
Q She might be a Choctaw? A She might be a Choctaw but I think she is a Chickasaw.  
Q Where has Adam been living since he was born? A Been right in Skullyville and Sans Bois County and Gaines County.  
Q Has he lived anywhere else than in the Choctaw Nation since he was born? A No, sir, not as I know. No, sir, he never has.  
Q When did you last see him? A I last seen -- was this last fall.  
Q Was he living then? A Yes, sir, he is living now. I got news from him.  
Q Do you know Paralee Lewis? A Yes, sir, my sister.  
Q Full sister? A Yes, sir.  
Q Where was she born? A In Skullyville County.  
Q Where has she lived all her life time? A Been with me all her life until seven or eight years ago she went to Cole County and where she is living now in the Choctaw Nation.  
Q How old is she? A She must be somewhere along in the neighborhood of twenty-seven or twenty-eight.  
Q How old is Paralee Lewis? A About twenty-eight, I reckon.  
Q Is she married? A No, sir, she is not married.  
Q Has she got children? A Yes, sir.  
Q What are their names? A Oldest one's name is Oscar Moore. The other one's name is Samuel Moore or Sampson. She has got two or three more but I don't remember their names. I have forgot.  
Q Do you know whether she has got a child called Nathaniel? A Yes, sir.

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- Q And one called Mabel? A I don't know. she has got four or five. I don't know their names.  
Q Is Sampson living? A Yes, sir.  
Q Is Nathaniel living? A Yes, sir. Was about two or three months ago, the last time I seen him.

The mother of Adam Lewis and Paralee Lewis is identified as Jennie Lewis on Choctaw freedman card number 1178 and numbered 3818 upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen, approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 16, 1904.

- Q Do you know who is the father of these children of Paralee's? A Austin Moore, two of them, Austin Moore. One of them, I don't know who is the father of him. Father, two's father is a fellow by the name of -- they called him Rid Yates.  
Q She was never married? A No, sir, never known her to marry.  
Q What name does she go by now? A Paralee Lewis.  
Q Do you know why Adam Lewis is not on the roll? A Well, sir, I just don't know. I cannot tell you.  
Q Where was he living in 1896? A In 1896 he was living at Sans Bois.  
Q Wasn't living with his mother at that time? A I cannot tell for sure but he was living around me for seven or eight years and when his wife died, he went back to Sans Bois. But I don't know what year it was.  
Q He has not got any children, has he? A No, sir, he has not got any children.  
Q Does Paralee live with her mother? A No, sir.

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Wirt Franklin, being first duly sworn, states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, he reported all proceedings had in the above entitled cause at Muskogee, Indian Territory, on March 22, 1904, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes, taken in said cause.

*Wirt Franklin*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of April, 1904.

*Charles H. Sawyer*  
Notary Public.

Choctaw freedman  
289; 1178

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 26, 1904.

Adam Lewis,

Kinta, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of february 23, asking what disposition has been made of your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, as you are anxious to go to the land office but do not desire to go until your enrollment has been approved.

In reply you are advised that there are two persons by the name of Adama Lewis who appear upon our records as applicants for enrollment as Choctaw freedman, and before any definite information can be given relative to your enrollment it will be necessary for you to state your age, the names of your parents, the time and place application was made for your enrollment and your post office address at that time, as well as any other information you may possess which would enable us to identify you upon our records. The matter of your inquiry will then receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in charge.

Choctaw freedman  
259; 1178

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 26, 1904.

Adam Lewis, --

Kinta, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 23, asking what disposition has been made of your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, as you are anxious to go to the land office but do not desire to go until your enrollment has been approved.

In reply you are advised that there are two persons by the name of Adam Lewis who appear upon our records as applicants for enrollment as Choctaw freedman, and before any definite information can be given relative to your enrollment it will be necessary for you to state your age, the names of your parents, the time and place application was made for your enrollment and your post office address at that time, as well as any other information you may possess which would enable us to identify you upon our records. The matter of your inquiry will then receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in charge

17-1178

Waukeges, Indian Territory, March 4, 1904.

Adam Lewis,

Kinta, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 29, 1904, stating that you are about 29 years of age, and that you are the son of Jacob and Jennie Lewis and you request to be advised relative to your enrollment.

You are informed it appears from our records that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but your name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of such freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1178

Mustang, Indian Territory, July 14, 1904.

Adam Lewis,

Kinta, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th inst., requesting information relative to your enrollment as a freedman.

You are advised it appears from our records that Adam Lewis, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Shoshone freedman, his enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Jennie Lewis, 45-

Adam " 25-

Elizabeth " 16

Sam

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Choc Fr. 1129

Richard Brashers

1129

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD<sub>12</sub>.

IN RE ABOLITION OF Richard Brashears.

ROBERT MOTTENSON,

Richard Brashears says:

...own, the  
widow of ... my wife is dead, she belonged to the same  
family.

Oct. 10 '08

Richard Brashears

enrolled.

17-730  
17-1179

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1904.

Richard Brashears,  
Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 5th inst., requesting to be advised relative to your enrollment and that of your son, Ed Brashears.

You are advised it appears from our records that Richard Brashears, now about 81 years of age, has been duly enrolled as a Choctaw freedman, and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

It further appears from our records that Ed Brashears, now about 52 years of age, son of Richard Brashears, is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but before his application can receive further consideration it will be necessary that he furnish the Commission with further evidence relative to his residence at the date of the treaty at Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Such evidence should be furnished with as little delay as possible.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Washington, Indian Territory, June 18, 1906.

Richard Brammery,

R.F.D. No. 3,

Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of the 14th inst. is received and your letter of June 7, 1905, is also received. The same has been referred to the U. S. Marshal at Fort Smith, and this information has been made a matter of record.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Richard Brashears, 74

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Choctaw Fr. 1180

Isom Boyd

Transferred From Chickasaw  
Freedman #913

Fr. 1180

FREEDMAN

Statement of Sallie Hornback in regard to birth of child of  
Isom Boyd's. (See Chickasaw Freedman Card No. 315)

Sallie Hornback being duly sworn testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Sallie Hornback.

Q. Do you know Isom Boyd? A. Yes sir.

Q. Has he got a young child at his house? A. Yes sir, its a  
young baby.

Q. You know it was born do you? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is its name? A. Frank Boyd.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W A Smiley

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Peter Boyd, born on the 9 day of October, 1898  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Isom Boyd a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Jane Boyd a citizen of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation.  
 Post-office Red Bay Ind Ter

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Jane Boyd, on oath state that I am 39  
 years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Isom Boyd, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 9 day of October, 1898; that said child has been named  
Peter Boyd, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Admabie  
Julia Mabrie  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of December, 1903

Frank D. Luman  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Sarah James, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Jane Boyd, wife of Isom Boyd,  
 on the 9 day of October, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Peter  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Admabie  
Julia Mabrie  
 Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of December, 1903

Frank D. Luman  
 My com. exp. such 7-1904  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.



17-1180.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Isaac Boyd,

Brasil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Peter Boyd, as a Choctaw freedman, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of said child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the enclosed blank affidavit.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should have your prompt attention as until this affidavit is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your son as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1186

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 12, 1902.

Isaac Boyd,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Isaac Boyd and Sarah James relative to the birth of your minor son, Peter Boyd, October 9, 1898; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Charles W. ...

17-1160.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 24, 1903.

Isom Boyd,

Brasil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Peter Boyd, as a Choctaw Freedman, you should immediately furnish the Commission with evidence of your marriage to Jane Boyd the mother of said child.

Such evidence may consist either of your original marriage certificate or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two disinterested parties who know that you were married and that you have lived together since said marriage as husband and wife.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 913.

IN RE APPLICATION OF ~~Isam Boyd~~ and others.

SAVED BY

CHICKASAW

I am 45. I belonged to Isaac Boyd. My wife Jane is a U.S. citizen. I have children:

Silas, 18; Emma, 16; Nancy, 12; Siny, 10; Penny, 8; Agnes, 5; and Lila

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Goldert. Oct. 10, '98

Isam Boyd  
Lilas Boyd  
Emma Boyd  
Nancy Boyd  
Siny Boyd  
Penny Boyd  
Agnes Boyd  
Lila Boyd

enrolled.

*Original - 1029 - 1900.*

Brazil I.T. 1/20/1900

Mr. Tams Bixby

Dear Sir

I seat myself to write you a few lines in regard  
of my youngest child Ballie Hornback made a mistake in his name. His  
name is Peter Boyd.

Isam Boyd.

*Check a card  
freedman.  
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Ischem Bay d. 43 "

Atlas " 18

Emma " 16

Nancy " 12

Sam " 10

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Choctaw Fr 1181

Emanuel Boyd

Fr 1181

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Washington, Indian Territory, March 2, 1905.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Frankie Theophilus and Selena Gertrude Boyd as Creeks.

Manuel Boyd, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSION:

- Q What is your name? A Manuel Boyd.  
Q Are you a citizen of the Creek Nation? A No sir.  
Q Are you a citizen of any Nation in Indian Territory? A Chickasaw.  
Q Have you been enrolled? A Yes sir.  
Q As a Chickasaw? A Yes sir.  
Q Is your wife a citizen of the Creek Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q What is her name? A Elmira Boyd.

Elmira Boyd is identified as Creek Freedman card, field No. 1892, and her name is contained in partial list of Creek Freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior May 21, 1904, Roll No. 8394.

- Q Have you two children born since the 25th day of May, 1901?  
A Yes sir.  
Q What are their names? A Selena Gertrude and Frankie Theophilus.  
Q When was Selena Gertrude born? A August 12, 1901.  
Q Is she living? A Yes sir.  
Q What was the name of the youngest child? A Frankie Theophilus.  
Q When was he born? A October 1, 1904.  
Q Is he living? A Yes sir.  
Q Did you have anyone in attendance on the mother when these children were born? A Yes sir.  
Q Who attended her when Selena Gertrude was born? A Sarah James.  
Q Did you have a physician? A No sir.  
Q Who attended when Frankie Theophilus was born? A Maggie Harris.  
Q Did you have a physician there? A No sir.  
Q If it should be found that your children, Selena Gertrude Boyd, and Frankie Theophilus Boyd, have rights in both the Chickasaw and Creek Nations, in which Nation do you elect to have them enrolled and receive allotments of land? A In the Creek Nation.

INDIAN TERRITORY, Western District.

I, J. Y. Miller, a stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing is a true and complete translation of my notes as same appear in my stenographic report of this case.

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 2nd day of April, 1905.

*J. Y. Miller*

My Com. expires April 11, 1907

*John C. Harrison* Notary Public.

Chickasaw, Indian Territory, October 9, 1901.

Manuel Dye,

Super, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Sally Dye, the infant daughter of Manuel and Maria Dye, born August 13, 1901, and the same being as proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Asahel Chapman.



W. C. CRAWFORD,  
SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE,  
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov 2, 1905.

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Okeechobee Creek Enrollment Division.

Sir:

There is herewith enclosed one copy of the testimony of  
Emmanuel Boyd in the matter of the application for the enrollment  
of Frankie Theophilus and Helena Gertrude Boyd as Creek Freedmen.

Respectfully,



Commissioner in charge.

JYM:9-3.



17-1181

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 19, 1905.

Chief Clerk,

Chickasaw Land Office,

Armore, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that Salieny Gurtrue Boyd who appears upon the records of your office as an undetermined applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, Choctaw Freedmen roll card No. 1181, has been enrolled as a New Born Freedman of the Creek nation in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1905; the name of Salieny Gurtrue Boyd should, therefore, be eliminated from the list of undetermined applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen in the possession of your office.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

17-1181

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 19, 1905.

Chief Clerk,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that Saliency Gurtrus Boyd who appears upon the records of your office as an undetermined applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, Choctaw Freedmen roll card No. 1181, has been enrolled as a New Born Freedman of the Creek Nation, in conformity with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved March 3, 1905; the name of Saliency Gurtrus Boyd should therefore be eliminated from the list of undetermined applications for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen in the possession of your office.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Saliney Gurtree Boyd*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation.

Approved, OCT - 9 1901

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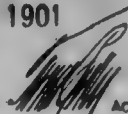


Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Seliney Gurtine Boyd, born on the 12 day of August, 1901.  
(Must insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Emanuel Boyd, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Elmira Boyd, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Sutter, I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Elmira Boyd, on oath state that I am 38  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Emanuel Boyd, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a Female child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 12 day of August, 1901; that said child has been  
named Seliney Gurtine, and is now living.  
Elmie Boyd

WITNESSES TO SIGN

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4 day of October, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1906

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Harrak James, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Elmira Boyd, wife of Emanuel Boyd,  
on the 12 day of August, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Seliney Gurtine.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

W. M. NailHenry Choate

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of October, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1906

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Choctaw Fr 1182

Mobile Bay

Trans. from Chickasaw

Freedman #919

Fr 1182



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Jane Boyd*

as a child of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

DEC 12 1903

Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child for whose  
enrollment application was  
made 10/10/98.*

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Jane Boyd, born on the 24 day of January, 1877  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Mobile Boyd, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Emmer Boyd, citizen of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation.  
 Post-office \_\_\_\_\_

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Emmer Boyd, on oath state that I am 48  
 years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Mobile Boyd, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 24 day of January, 1877; that said child has been named  
Jane, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Julia Mabrie  
Aa Mabrie

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of December, 1903.

Frank D. Sullivan  
My Comm. Exp. Dec 7-1912  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Sarah Jones, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Emmer Boyd, wife of Mobile Boyd  
 on the 24 day of January, 1877; that there was born to her on said  
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (Male or female)  
Jane.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Amanda Ethel Parker

as a citizen of the

Chickasaw Nation.

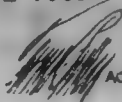
Approved OCT 14 1902 190

C. R. Brumby  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

CHICKASAW FELLOWSHIP

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the CHICKASAW. Nation,  
 of Amanda Ethel Parker, born on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Moses Parker, a citizen of the CHOCTAW. Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Mahala Parker, a citizen of the CHICKASAW. Nation.  
 Post-Office: Spico Ind Ter

### AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Mahala Parker, on oath state that I am 19  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the CHICKASAW. Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Moses Parker, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the CHOCTAW. Nation, that a female child was  
(Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1901; that said child has been  
 named Amanda Ethel Parker, and is now living.

WITNESSED TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.) { Squire Hall  
Wm. B. B. B.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of October, 1902.

J. F. Casey  
 Notary Public.

### AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Maria Hughes, a midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Mahala Parker, wife of Moses Parker,  
 on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1901; that there was born to her on said  
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
 named Amanda Ethel Parker.

WITNESSED TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.) { Squire Hall  
Wm. B. B. B.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of October, 1902.

J. F. Casey  
 Notary Public.

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17 - 748

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 5, 1904.

Moses Parker,

Spire, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3rd instant, returning the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Amanda Ethel Parker, infant daughter of Moses and Mahala Parker, born April 14, 1901, and the same is returned to you herewith.

From the information contained in your letter relative to the enrollment of the mother of the child named in the application the Commission is now able to identify her as being duly listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman under the name of Mahaly Boyd.

It will therefore be necessary that the application be made for the enrollment of this child as a Chickasaw Freedman.

For the purpose of assisting you in the matter an application has been correctly prepared and is enclosed you herewith.

Upon return of the same, properly executed, the matter will receive further consideration.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the certificate of marriage between Moses Parker and Mahaley Boyd, and the same has been



MEMORANDUM

Very truly yours,  
Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Very truly yours,

Acting Chairman

Enc.  
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10-510.

Wahnegoo, Indian Territory. October 14, 1903.

Moses Parker,

Spice, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 11th inst., enclosing the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Amanda Ethel Parker, infant daughter of Moses and Mahala Parker, born April 14, 1901; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1182.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Mobile Boyd,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Jane Boyd, as a Choctaw freedman, it does not appear that any affidavit of birth of said child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the enclosed blank affidavit.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should have your prompt attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Choctaw freedman until this affidavit is received.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1183

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 12, 1903.

Mobile Boyd,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of  
Emma Boyd and Sarah James relative to the birth of your minor  
daughter, Jane Boyd, January 24, 1897; and the same being in proper  
form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as  
evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1182.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 24, 1903.

Mobile, Boyd,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Jane Boyd, as a Choctaw Freedman, you should immediately forward the Commission evidence of your marriage to Emma Boyd the mother of said child.

Such evidence may consist either of your original marriage certificate or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two disinterested parties who know that you were married and that you have since lived together as husband and wife.

This matter should receive your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Choctaw Freedman  
1182

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 8, 1904.

Isham Boyd,

Sutton, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 29, asking if you have been enrolled as a Chickasaw freedman and stating that you are the son of Mobile Boyd.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Isham Boyd, son of Mobile Boyd, has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and his name placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, but the Commission has not yet been advised of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1182

Mustang, Indian Territory, March 1, 1904.

Mobile Boyd,

Butter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavit of Charles Mabray and an unsigned affidavit, relative to the marriage between Mobile and Emma Boyd, which occurred December 25, 1878, and the same have been filed with the records in the matter of the application for enrollment of your children as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN OFFD 919.

IN RE APPLICATION OF Mobile Boyd and others

COMMISSIONER

MISSISSIPPI

Mobile, Ala.

I am 55. I belonged to Nancy the wife of Jim Boyd. My wife Maria, 43, is a Choctaw. She was sold to a U.S. citizen. She was not freed as a Choctaw. My children are: Isham, 21; Mahaly, 16; Mattie, 15; Seborn, 12; Frances, 10; Richard, 8; Nancy, 6; and Jane, 1.

Maria, 20, wife of Larry Maxey a U.S. citizen. She has one child: Christiana, 2.

Rosa, 18; wife of Licy Mabry a Choctaw. She has no children.

My father Caesar Boyd, 92, belonged to the same person I did. The old man lives with me.

Stephen Tyson, 81 belonged to Lottie Tyson and has been living here all the while.

Mobile Boyd  
Isham Boyd  
Mahaly Boyd  
Mattie Boyd  
Seborn Boyd  
Frances Boyd  
Richard Boyd  
Nancy Boyd  
Jane Boyd

enrolled.

Mobile Bay, 55-

Saham " 21

Mahaly " 16

Mattie " 15-

Schora " 12

Francis " 10

Richard " 8

Nancy " 6

Jane " 1

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Indian Territory } S.S.  
Central District }

I Frank D Inman a clergy-  
man do certify that on  
the 27 day of June 1900  
I solemnized the right  
and published the  
bands of matrimony  
between Mr. Moses  
Parker of Sutter And  
Miss Mahaley Boyd  
of Sutter Ind Terr.  
This 24 day of May  
A.D. 1902.

Frank D Inman  
Clergyman

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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 ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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Sutter, J. I.

2-25-1904

Deposition  
in the matter  
of Inobeah, Boyds and  
Wife, Emma Boyds  
vs. The People. Myself, Deposition and  
Sis i am of lawful  
age i and well acquainted  
with the said Inobeah  
Boyd and wife Emma  
Boyd i knew them  
since 1870 and i was  
at the Inobeah and now  
they was Inobeah Dec 25-  
18. Witness my hand  
and seal this February 25-  
1904

Sworn To me Before  
me this 25<sup>th</sup> Day of  
of February 1904  
my commission expires  
Jan 25 1904 Henry, Stephen  
Notary Public  
for and in central  
District of the United  
States Court for the Indian  
Territory

CHASMAN



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CHAIRMAN.

Sworn to before  
me this 25<sup>th</sup> day of  
February 1904  
at New York, New York  
and in evidence  
of the number  
of the order  
State of New York  
Secretary

Sutler 2-26/04

Opinion of  
Charles Grady in  
The case of Mabeale Boyd  
and wife Emma Boyd  
DePores and I am  
well acquainted with  
The said Mabeale Boyd and  
Emma Boyd. I have known  
them both as persons  
for 35 years they have  
lived together as man and  
wife since the year 1875  
never in legal  
the best of my knowledge  
I know they were not  
Witness my hand  
His  
(Charles Grady)  
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Shoon To Before  
Ma a Notra Public  
for and in the Central  
Department of the United  
States Court for the Southern  
Territory this the 20 Day  
of February 1904.  
My Comm. Expires, Harry, Shepherd  
Jan 21<sup>st</sup> 1908 Antepublic

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for and are the central  
Department of the interior  
slots cost for the 26 day  
of February 1904  
My common saying, "My ship  
Jan 21 1904

Choctaw Fr 1183

Frances Eubanks

Transferred From Chickasaw

Freedman #920

Fr 1183

CHICAGO, ILL. FREEDMEN CARD 920.

IN THE APPLICATION OF Frances Eubanks and others.

FOR THE PURPOSE OF

Frances Eubanks says:

Choctaw and one of the Eubanks  
me:

Mary, 23; Caesar, 20; Susan, 16; and Ella, 14.

Charley Eubanks, 38. His wife Caroline, 28; is daughter of Lena  
Peters

The have children:

Cora, 11; Eddie, 9; Kittie, 7; and Lula, 3..

(Note: Caroline may be on Creek Roll).

Cora, 29; wife of Tom Thurston a U.S. citizen. She has children:

Arthur, 12; Cyrus, 10; Ernest, 7; Ben, 4 and Daisy, 5 months.

Frances Eubanks  
Mary Eubanks  
Caesar Eubanks  
Susan Eubanks  
Ella Eubanks

enrolled.

Choctaw freedmen  
1183

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 31, 1903.

Caesar Eubanks,

Brazil, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Your letter of December 12, 1903, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action. You ask therein that the Secretary of the Interior use his influence to see that the names of your mother and sisters are placed upon the Choctaw freedman roll by the Commission.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of Frances Eubanks and her children, Mary, Caesar, Susan and Ella Eubanks, have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-1185

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 15, 1904.

Ella Emdank.

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

15-1185  
I have received your letter of the 10th instant, requesting to be advised whether it will be necessary for you to bring witnesses before the Commission.

If you will state the purpose for which you desire to appear before the Commission you will be further advised in the matter.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Frances Eubanks, | 54 |
| Mary             | 23 |
| Cassor           | 20 |
| Susan            | 16 |
| Ella             | 14 |

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Choctaw Fr. Ho

Cora Thuston

MARRIAGE CERTIFICATE.

"Whom God Hath Joined Together  
Let Not Man Put Asunder."

I hereby certify, That Mr. T. T. Thuston and Miss Cora  
Hubank were by me united in the  
HOLY BONDS OF MATRIMONY,

this 18th day of Nov. One Thousand Eight Hundred and 83 according  
to Law and the custom of the Church.

D. Barrows  
Minister of the Gospel.

S. P. J. Williams      Witnesses.  
Harriet Coleman

Endorsed on back:

Chickasaw Freedman Card No. 921.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the five civilized tribes.

F I L E D

Nov. 3 1902

Tams Bixby  
Acting Chairman.

I, Ella Bailey, stenographer to the Commissioner to the  
Five Civilized Tribes, do hereby certify that the above and foregoing  
is a true and correct copy of the certificate of marriage of T. T.  
Thuston and Cora Hubank, which was filed in the matter of the en-  
rollment of Cora Thuston, et al. as Choctaw freedmen.

*Ella Bailey*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this <sup>16<sup>th</sup></sup> day of July 1909.

*Edward Herrick*  
Notary Public.

17-1184.

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CHICKASAW FREELMEN

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Naisy Thurston*

a citizen of the

*Chickasaw Indian Nation.*

Approved NOV 3 1902

*James R. Ruby*  
Commissioner  
*AKA*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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NOV 3 1902

*[Signature]*

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREELMEN

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Daisy Thurston  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
a citizen of the Chickasaw freedman Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Gainesville, Ind. Ter., and died on the 23rd day of  
October, 1898  
(Here insert name of postoffice.)

## AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Southern District. )

I, Cora Thurston, on oath state that I am 33  
years of age and a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Gainesville Texas Ind. Ter.; that I am  
(Here insert name of post office.)  
the mother of Daisy Thurston,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Daisy Thurston died on the 23 day of  
October, 1898.  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of October 1902

C. H. Hamer  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Southern District. )

I, Hattie Seay, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age, and a citizen, by freedman of the Non Citizen Nation;  
that my post office address is Andmore Ind. Ter.;  
(Here insert name of post office.)  
that I was personally acquainted with Daisy Thurston,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Daisy Thurston died on the 23 day of  
October, 1898.  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of October 1902

C. H. Hamer  
Notary Public.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 18, 1902.

T. T. Thurton,

Gainesville, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 15th instant, in which you state that your wife, Cera Thurton, has received a circular from the Department ; that she is a Choctaw freedman and you desire to be informed if she must meet the Commission in the Choctaw Nation or in the Chickasaw Nation and in case she is unable to attend if you can go in her stead.

You are advised that it appears from the records of this office that Cora Thurston and her children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest, Ben and Daisy Thurston, are applicants for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen.

You are advised if your wife desires to again appear before the Commission she can do so at the appointment designated in the circular referred to by you, most convenient to her residence. It appears from our records that you are a non citizen and it will be necessary for your wife to appear in person if she desires to further testify in her case.

Respectfully,

Chickasaw Freedmen  
921.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 20, 1903.

Stuart & Bell,

Attorneys at Law,

Gainesville, Texas,

Gentlemen:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 14, asking if Cora Thurston and her five minor children are enrolled as Chickasaw freedmen. You also wish to know how much land they will be entitled to receive when the land office opens and request that a copy of the law bearing on this matter be forwarded you.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that Cora Thurston and her minor children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest, Ben, and Daisy Thurston, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen. It further appears that Daisy Thurston has died since the time application was made for her enrollment, and proper evidence of her death has been filed with the Commission.

Relative to the amount of land to which these persons will be entitled when the land office opens your attention is invited to section eleven of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902, a copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

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You are also advised that land offices will be opened at  
Atoka in the Choctaw Nation and Chickasaw in the Chickasaw Nation  
on April 18, 1903, at which time the citizens and freedmen of those  
two tribes may appear at the land office for the nation in which their  
land is located and make formal application for their allotments.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw-Chickasaw  
agreement.

Choctaw Freedmen  
2184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 9, 1904.

Mrs. Cora M. Thurston,

Berwyn, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 4, asking if the names of yourself and your minor children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Benjamin Thurston have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Cora Thurston and her children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Ben Thurston, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17--1184.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 14, 1904.

Cora W. Thurston,

910 Corner Hanna and McRea Streets,

Gainesville, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 5th, in which you ask the status of the enrollment of yourself and your children and wish to be informed if you can have land set aside for you.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that the names of yourself and your children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Dan Thurston, have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior and pending your enrollment by the Commission and the approval thereof by the Secretary of the Interior no selection of allotment can be made for yourself and your children.

You are informed, however, that if you will forward a description of the land upon which you have improvements, which you desire to select in allotment for yourself and children,



C.M.W.-2.

proper notation thereof will be made upon our records and you will be notified in the event any portion of this land is selected and will be permitted to institute contest proceedings therefor if it is so desired.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Sora Thurston,

Gainesville, Texas.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself and your children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Ben Thurston, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify relative to your rights as such freedmen.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6th and 7th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1184.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1904.

Cora M. Thurston,  
Gainesville, Texas.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3rd instant, in reply to our communication dated August 18, 1904, advising you that it would be necessary for you to appear before the Commission in person, in the matter of the application for enrollment of yourself and minor children as Choctaw freedmen, and giving you an opportunity to appear before the Commission at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka, Indian Territory, September 6-7, 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo, Indian Territory, September 8-9, 1904.

As no appearance was made by you at either place, you are advised that before the application for the enrollment of yourself and minor children can be given further consideration, it will be necessary that you appear in person before the Commission at its office at Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the purpose of testifying relative to the rights of yourself and children to enrollment as such freedmen. It is important that such appearance be made at as early a date as practicable.

Respectfully,

JD.

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman  
1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 10, 1906.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Referring to Choctaw Freedman card Number 1184, Cora Thuston, et al. you are advised that the surname of the persons appearing thereon has been changed to "Thuston", the word "Denied" has been written in red ink in front of the names of Numbers 1 to 5 inclusive, a red ink line has been drawn through each name, and the following notation in red ink has been placed on said card:

"June 1, 1905. Decision of Commission of April 21, 1905, refusing Nos. 1 to 5, inclusive, affirmed by Department (I T D 3058-1905) D C 28175-1905."

You are therefore directed to make like changes and place above notation on duplicate Choctaw freedman card Number 1184 in your possession.

Respectfully,

17-1184.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 25, 1905.

Caesar Eubanks,

Lathon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 8th, asking if your sister, Cora Thuston and minor children have been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that on April 21, 1905, the Commission rendered its decision refusing the application for the enrollment of herself and her children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen, and on the same day, a copy of this decision was forwarded her at Berwyn, Indian Territory, and the record in this case was transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior.

She will be advised of departmental action in this case.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-3104

Washington, Indian Territory, June 8, 1908.

Mrs. Cora Thurston,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 18, 1908, stating that you are in receipt of a copy of the decision of the Commission refusing your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and requesting return of your marriage certificate.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it is impracticable at this time to comply with your request for the return of your marriage certificate but if you desire a certified copy thereof the same will be forwarded you.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Muskogee, Oklahoma, July 26, 1904

Gora Thurston,

Barry, Oklahoma.

Sir:

There is enclosed herewith original marriage license and certificate between F. T. Thurston and Gora Hubank, a certified copy thereof having been retained for the files of this office.

Respectfully,

ES 1-26.

Commissioner

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN CARD 921.

WHITE APPLICATION OF Cora Thurston and others.

SWORN BY

T. J. THURSTON

(See testimony of Frances Rubanks , Chickasaw freedmen Card 920)

Cora Thurston  
Arthur Thurston  
Cyrus Thurston  
Ernest Thurston  
Ben Thurston  
Daisey Thurston

enrolled.

CHICAGO FREEDOM CARD 920

IN RE APPLICATION OF Frances Eubanks and others.

SWORN BY

COMMISSIONER MCKENNON,

Frances Eubanks says:

I am 54. I am wife of Henry Eubanks  
Choctaw. I belonged to Nancy Boyd. I have 4 children living with  
me:

Mary, 23; Caesar, 20; Susan, 16; and Ella, 14.

Charley Eubanks, 38. His wife Caroline, 28; is the daughter of Lena  
Peters.

They have children:

Cora, 11; Eddie, 9; Kittie, 7; and Lula, 3.

(Note: Caroline may be on Creek Roll).

Cora, 29; wife of Tom Thurston a U.S. citizen. She has children:  
Arthur, 12; Cyrus, 10; Ernest, 7; Ben, 4 and Daisy, 6 months.

COLBERT, OCT. 10, '98

Frances Eubanks

Mary Eubanks

Caesar Eubanks

Susan Eubanks

Ella Eubanks

enrolled.

17-1184.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
MUSKOGEE, INDIAN TERRITORY, OCTOBER 21, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment  
of Cera Thuston and her four minor children as freedmen of  
the Choctaw Nation.

Cera Thuston having been first duly sworn upon her  
oath testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission.

Q What is your name? A Cera Thuston.  
Q What is your post office address? A Burwin, Indian  
Territory.  
Q When did you go to Texas? A I don't remember what  
year; we have been in Texas about 15 years.  
Q You live in Texas now? A Yes sir we have lived there;  
we are teaching in Burwin now.  
Q You say you are teaching in Burwin now? A Yes sir.  
Q You say you went to Texas about 15 years ago? A Yes  
sir.  
Q Have you got your home there? A Yes sir.  
Q You have made your home there the past 15 years? A Yes  
sir.  
Q You still have your home in Texas? A Yes sir.  
Q You had no home at all in the Choctaw or Chickasaw  
Nations? A No sir we had no home in the Choctaw or  
Chickasaw Nations.  
Q How old are you? A I am 36 years old.  
Q Was your mother? A Frances Mendenhall.  
Q Is she living? A Yes sir.  
Q Was she a slave? A Yes sir.  
Q Where were you born? A In the Choctaw Nation.  
Q How long did you remain in the Choctaw Nation after you  
were born? A About 15 years.  
Q And then you went to Texas? A Yes sir.  
Q And have lived there ever since? A I was in Nashville  
Tennessee about two years and then when I left Nashville I  
went to Texas.  
Q And you have been there ever since? A Yes sir.  
Q How long did you live in Nashville? A I have not been there

not lived there since.

Q Have you no property there at all? A No sir.

Q Where were your children born--Arthur, Cyrus, Earnest and Ben? A They were all born in Texas

Q And live there? A Yes sir.

Q You are married? A Yes sir.

Q To whom? A Theodore Thomas Thuston.

Q He is a State's man? A Yes sir.

Q He is a colored man? A Yes sir.

Q How did you come to get yourself and your children on the 1896 Choctaw roll? A My mother and father enrolled us.

Q Where were you married? A In the Choctaw nation.

Q By the Reverend D. Barrows? A Yes sir.

Q Did you go to Texas as soon as you were married?

A I went to school two years at Nashville, Tennessee and then I went to Texas.

Q Did you go to school after you were married? A Yes sir.

Q Your husband is a school teacher is he? A Yes sir; he went down to Texas to take charge of school and I went to school two years and then I went to Texas also?

Q And you have been there ever since? A Yes sir.

Theodore Thomas Thuston having been first duly sworn upon his oath testified as follows:

Q You are the husband of the applicant, Cera Thuston are you? A Yes sir.

Q You may state the residence of yourself and wife since the date of your marriage in 1883 up to the present time?

A After our marriage in 1883 in the Choctaw Nation we lived in the Choctaw Nation during the remainder of 1883 and a portion of 1884. My wife attended school about two years at the Roger Williams's University at Nashville, Tennessee, after our marriage. After that we moved to Texas, Bonham, Texas; I taught school there until 1898; taught at Bonham until 1898, then removed to Gainesville, Texas. I taught there until 1903.

Q Did your wife teach too? A Yes sir she has been teaching right along with me.

Q Were you in charge of a school and your wife taught under you? A Yes sir I was principal of a school and my wife taught with me.

Q Did you ever have any idea of returning to the Choctaw-Chickasaw Nations? A We always had an idea of returning; our intentions was always to come and make a home here, but we never have been able to get money enough ahead to improve a home; her mother and father have been writing to us to come and approve a place ever since this registration took place.



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They had her and the children registered, and our intention has always been to come back as soon as we could get money enough to improve a place. My wife and I came back to the Territory in 1886 to her old home; we didn't stay long; I think it was in the summer of 1886; I think we did stay nearly all that summer with her folks; we put in all the time we could; we have always wanted to stay here. Again during the summer, I don't remember the year, I think it has been about 9 years ago, my wife and the children came back and staid with her folks that summer; I think they staid nearly all summer. We have never been able to improve a place but we came back whenever we could and stayed as long at a time as we could. I had to go to Texas because after having taught school here for three years-- I was teaching in a Mission school for colored people and when the colored people come under the Choctaw law or Indian government then the Home Mission Board relinquished their claim on the Mission school. That threw me out of employment and I was compelled to go to Texas to take work that was offered me. So after we were married we thought it best to take my wife with me; it was so far; it was over 900 miles; she didn't want to leave home, and her folks didn't want her to leave home but I could not leave her when it was so far and my wife had to go with me.

Q What is your occupation? A I am a teacher.

Q Are you a graduate of any school or college? A Yes sir I am a graduate of the Roger William's University in Tennessee.

Q When did you first come to the Choctaw Nation? A In either 1881 or 1880.

Q How did you happen to come to the Choctaw Nation?

A I was sent here by the Roger William's University. It is a school under the American Baptist Missionary Society and they sent me here to take charge of the Mission school.

Q You was sent by the Home Mission Board? A Yes sir.

Q What is your post office address now? A Burwin; we have charge of the Daves Academy there now.

Q Since when? A Since November 1903 and we commence our work there again next week.

#### CORA THUSTON RE-CALLED

Q Have you anything else you wish to say in this matter?

A It was my intention to make the Territory my home as soon as possible.

Q Did you ever leave the Territory with the intention of not returning? A No sir.



17-1254

Mattie V. Vaughn states upon oath that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes thereof.

Mattie V. Vaughn

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of  
October 1904.

Charles W. Sawyer  
Notary Public.

*m.p. 16*  
17-1184.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment  
of Cora Thuston and her four minor children as Choctaw freedmen.

--: D E C I S I O N :--

It appears from the record herein and from the census  
ward record that on October 10, 1898, application was made to this  
Commission for the enrollment of Cora Thuston and her minor  
children, Arthur Thuston, twelve years of age, Cyrus Thuston, ten  
years of age, Ernest Thuston, seven years of age, and Ben Thuston,  
four years of age, as Choctaw freedmen. Further proceedings  
were had in the matter of said application at Muskogee, Indian  
Territory, on October 21, 1904.

It further appears from the record herein that the said  
Cora Thuston is the daughter of Frances Lubanks, a recognized  
and enrolled Choctaw freedman, whose name appears as number 3842  
upon the lists prepared by this Commission under the Act of  
Congress, approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stat., 641), of persons  
entitled to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, and approved by the  
Secretary of the Interior February 16, 1904; that the said Cora  
Thuston was born in the Choctaw Nation about the year 1868, and  
continued to reside therein until the year 1884, when she removed  
to the State of Texas; that she had not returned to and in good  
faith settled in the Indian Territory on or prior to June 28, 1898;  
that the said Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and  
Ben Thuston were born in the State of Texas and have never resided  
in the Indian Territory.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that  
Cora Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and  
Ben Thuston are not entitled to be enrolled as Choctaw freedmen,  
and that the application for their enrollment as such should be  
denied, in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress  
approved June 28, 1896 (30 Stat., 495), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

*[Signature]*  
Chairman.

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

APR 21 1905

*C. R. Bushinger.*  
Commissioner.

COPY.

Mustagee, Indian Territory, April 21, 1905.

Cora Thuston,

Barwyn, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered April 11, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of yourself, and children, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen.

The decision, with the record of proceedings in the case, is this day transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for review. The final decision of the Secretary will be made known to you as soon as the Commission is informed of the same.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Jams Birby*

Registered.

Chairman.

Incl. 17-1184.

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 21, 1908.

Stuart & Bell,  
Attorneys at Law,  
Gainesville, Texas,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, on April 21, 1908, rendered its decision, denying the application for the enrollment of Cora Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen.

The decision, with the record of proceedings in the case, is this day transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for review. The final decision of the Secretary will be made known to you as soon as the Commission is informed of the same.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Lams Bixby*

Chairman.

Registered.

17-1184

COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 21, 1908.

Hensfield, McMurray & Cornish,  
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,  
South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission rendered April 21, 1908, denying the application for the enrollment of Cora Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston as Choctaw freedmen.

The decision, with the report of proceedings in the case, is this day transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for review. The final decision of the Secretary will be made known to you as soon as the Commission is informed of the same.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*James Bixby*

Incl. 17-1184

Chairman.



COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 21, 1906.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sirs:

There is herewith transmitted the record of proceedings in the matter of the application for the enrollment of Cara Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston, as Cherokee freedmen, including the decision of the Commission, dated April 21, 1906, denying said application.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tame Dixby*

Through the  
Commissioner in Indian Affairs.

Chairman.

2 Incl. 17-1104.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
WASHINGTON.

D.C.  
I.T.D.  
LRS

25175-1905.  
5058-1905.

June 1, 1905.

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C.R.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

April 21, 1905, you transmitted the record of the application for the enrollment of Cora Thuston and her four minor children, Arthur Cyrus, Ernest and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen, including your decision dated April 21, 1905, adverse to all the applicants.

May 4, 1905, the Acting Commissioner of Indian Affairs reporting in the matter, recommended that your decision adverse to all the applicants be affirmed. A copy of his letter is inclosed.

The Department concurs in the recommendation made and your decision dated April 21, 1905, adverse to all the applicants is hereby affirmed.

Your attention is invited to the fact that the names of Cora Thuston and her said children appear in the record as Cora Thuston et al.

Respectfully,

(signed) E. A. Hitchcock.

Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON. May 4, 1905.

The Honorable,  
The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose a report from the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated April 21, 1905, transmitting the record of the application for the enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen by Cora Thuston for herself and her minor children, Arthur, Cyrus, Ernest and Ben Thuston.

April 21, 1905, the Commission decided adversely to the applicants.

The record shows that Cora Thuston is the daughter of Frances Eubanks, a recognized and enrolled Choctaw Freedman; that Cora Thuston was born in the Choctaw Nation about 1868 and continued to reside there in until 1884, when she removed to the State of Texas; that she had not returned to and in good faith settled in the Indian Territory on or prior to June 22, 1888, and that the minors have never resided in the Indian Territory.

In view of the record the approval of the Commission's decision adverse to the applicants is recommended.

Very Respectfully,

C. W. Larrabee,  
Acting Commissioner,

M. N. N.  
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17-1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 9, 1905.

COPY.

Cora Thuston,

Berwyn, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

You are hereby notified that the Secretary of the Interior under date of June 1, 1905, affirmed the decision of this Commission, dated April 21, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of yourself, and children, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tams Bixby*

Chairman.

17-1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 9, 1905.

Stuart & Bell,

Attorneys at Law,

Opp

Gainesville, Texas,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the Secretary of the Interior under date of June 1, 1905, affirmed the decision of this Commission, dated April 21, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of Cora Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Jame Bixby*

Chairman.

17-1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 9, 1905.

COPY.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the Secretary of the Interior under date of June 1, 1905, affirmed the decision of this Commission, rendered April 21, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of Cora Thuston, Arthur Thuston, Cyrus Thuston, Ernest Thuston and Ben Thuston, as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

*Tamc Bixby*

SIGNED

Chairman.

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| Cora Thurston | 29 |
| Arthur        | 12 |
| Cyrus         | 10 |
| Ernest        | 7  |
| Ben           | 4  |
| Daisy         | 5  |

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Choctaw Fr 1185

Birdie Nail

Fr 1185

OHIO CASAW FREEDMEN CARD 948

IN RE APPLICATION OF Birdie Nail.

WORN BY

CONOR McKENNON,

Birdie Nail says:

Richard Brashears says:

I know Birdie Nail. Her mother Salina

belonged to to the wife of Jack Johnson, who was the mother of  
Colbert Oct. 10  
Tandy Walker.

Easter Nero belonged to Shimohoh.

Birdie Nail further says:

My husband Henry is Choctaw.

We have no children.

I have a sister Cornelia Barnhill, 19, Her husband Albert is a  
U.S. citizen. She has one child: Memory, 1.

Birdie Nail

enrolled.

Choctaw Fr. 1186

Charley Brown

Fr. 1186

Chickasaw Freedmen  
1104.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 21, 1903.

Katsey Barr,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 14, in which you ask if the enrollment of yourself and your children, Enigh, Marshall and Nora Barr has been approved and if you can now file on your allotments.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Katsey Barr and her children, Enigh, Marshall and Nora Barr have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedule of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1186

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 23, 1906.

Charles Brown,

Brasil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 18, 1906, asking for a blank for the purpose of making application for a "dead claim" for your daughter Mamie Brown a Choctaw freedman who died in February 1903.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it does not appear from the records of this office that application has been made by or on behalf of your daughter Mamie Brown for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, this office is now without authority to receive or consider original applications for enrollment in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.



CHICK W. FREEDMAN, Q. 964.

THE AFFLICTION OF

Charley Brown.

SWORN

CHER McKENNON.

(See testimony of Smith Brown, Chikaw Freedman Card 95).

Charley Brown

enrolled.



North Brown, 76

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Charley Brown, 55

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Moses Brown, 53

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Choctaw Fr. 1187

Noah Alberson

# Certificate of Record of Marriage.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, /  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY / set  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT /

I, C. M. CAMPBELL, Clerk of the United States Court in the Territory and District aforesaid, DO HEREBY CERTIFY, that the License for, and Certificate of Marriage of Mr. Peter Frankler and M. Julia Glover were filed in my office in said Territory and District the 26 day of May

A. D. 1899, and duly recorded in Book N of Marriage Record, page 157

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court at Ardmore, this 1 day of June

A. D. 1899  
C. M. Campbell  
CLERK.

Ardmore Power Print, Ardmore, I. T.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED  
JUL 7 1902

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

FILED

C. M. CAMPBELL, Clerk



# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

ss: To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

You are hereby Commanded, To solemnize the Rite and  
publish the Banns of Matrimony between  
Mr. Peter Franklin, of Stonewall  
in the Indian Territory, aged 22 years, and  
Julia Glover, of Stonewall  
in the Indian Territory, aged 19 years,  
according to law; and do you officially sign and return this License to  
the parties therein named.

Witness my hand and official seal, this 22 day  
of April A. D. 1899

*C. M. Campbell*  
Clerk of the United States Court

## Certificate of Marriage.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT.

ss.

I.

*M. C. Cooke*

a minister of the gospel

do hereby certify, that on the *third* day of *May* A. D. 1899, I  
did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the  
Rite and publish the Banns of Matrimony between the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand, this *6* day of *May* A. D. 1899

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court,  
Indian Territory, Southern District, at Ardmore, Book *9* Page *157*

*M. C. Cooke*

a minister of the gospel

NOTE (a)—This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the office of the Clerk of the United States Court  
in the Indian Territory, at Ardmore, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License  
was issued will be liable in the amount of One Hundred Dollars, (\$100.)

NOTE (b)—No person is authorized to perform the Marriage Ceremony in the Southern District, unless the proper creden-  
tials have first been recorded in the Clerk's office.

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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

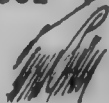
*Alonso Franklin*  
as a citizen of

KASAW FREEDMEN,

Nation

Approved, JUL 7 1902

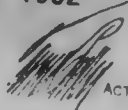
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

OF KASAW FREEDMEN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Alonzo Franklin, born on the 3rd day of March, 1901  
(Insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Peter Franklin, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Julia Franklin, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Lehigh T.F.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Lehigh District.

I, Julia Franklin, on oath state that I am 24  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Peter Franklin, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a male child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 3rd day of March, 1901; that said child has been  
named Alonzo Franklin and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of June, 1902

A. J. Wright  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central District.

I, Mickey Alderson, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Julia Franklin, wife of Peter Franklin,  
on the 3rd day of March, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Alonzo Franklin.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 23 day of June, 1902

A. J. Wright  
NOTARY PUBLIC.



Chick. Freed. 968

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 7, 1902.

A. T. West,

Lahigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd instant, enclosing the marriage license and certificate between Peter Franklin and Julia Glover, and such evidence of marriage has been duly filed with the records of this office.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Alonzo Franklin, the infant son of Peter and Julia Franklin, born March 3, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

Chick. Freed. 908

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 7, 1901.

Peter Franklin,

Lehigh, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the marriage license and certificate between Peter Franklin and Julia Glover, and the same has been duly filed with the records of this office.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Alense Franklin, the infant son of Peter and Julia Franklin, born March 3, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 28, 1905.

Chief Clerk,

Chectaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division.

Dear Sir:

On March 30, 1905, application was made to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of Eliza Jane Alverson, child of Betsy Alverson, a Creek freedman, and Esckiel Alverson, said to be a citizen by adoption of the Chectaw Nation.

You are requested to advise the Creek Enrollment Division whether application has been made for the enrollment of said child as a Chectaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 7, 1905.

Chief Clerk,

Creek Enrollment Division.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 28, 1905, asking if application has been made for the enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Eliza Jane Alverson, child of Betsy Alverson, a Creek freedman and Ezekiel Alverson said to be a Choctaw freedman.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it does not appear from the records of this office that application has been made for the enrollment of the above named child as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Noah Alberson and others

Noah Alberson says:

I am 39. Charity was my sister. I was freed under Eli Perry. My mother Nicy belonged to Louisa, wife of Eli Perry.

I am brother of Charity the mother of William Glover.

Peter, atubby says: I do not know Charity. If Eli Perry had owned any such a woman I would have know it..

(A. Belle states that he know her all his life, and that he is satisfied they are Chickasaws).

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Noah Alber son further says:

My wife Eliza, 40, was freed under Edmind Pickens. She has children: Madison, 17; Ezekiel, 16.

My mother Nicy is 77.

I have a brother by the same mother: Emanuel, 38.

I have a niece, Julia Glover, 20. She is daughter of Chapee.

Siny Thompson says:

I am 51. I knew Nicy whom Noah Alberson claims to be his mother. She belonged to Louisa Perry. I knew Nicy. I do not know that he is a son of Nicy. Eliza, wife of Noah Alberson was freed under Kittie Pulson a Chickasaw, who was a daughter of Edmund Pickens.

Noah Alberson  
Eliza Alberson  
Madison Alberson  
Ezekiel Alberson

Nicy Alberson  
Emanuel Alberson  
Julia Glover

enrolled.

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Hook Alberson, 39  
40

Elyia " 17

Marion " 16

E. B. B. " 77

Mary " 1

Emanuel " 38

Julia Glauer, 20

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Choctaw Fr. 1188

Jack Campbell

Fr. 1188

## FREEDMAN

In re application of Jack Campbell to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Red Oak, I. T., June 19th, 1899, for enrollment of his child as a ~~Shawnee~~ Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Jack Campbell. I am enrolled in the Chickasaw Nation, I just want to enroll my new born child.

Q. What is the child's name? A. Erdie Campbell.

Q. What is your wife, a state woman? A. No sir, a Chickasaw.

Q. Any body here that knows this child? A. Yes sir.

Joshua Johnson being duly sworn by Com'r Needles, testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Joshua Johnson.

Q. Do you know Jack Campbell? A. Yes sir.

Q. Has he got a baby at his house? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is its name? A. Erdie.

(Enrolled the child as a Chickasaw freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Snidley

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 977.

IN RE application of Jack Campbell and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKennon ,

Jack Campbell says:

I am 35. I belonged to John Reed.

I am son of Sarah Reed enrolled (Chickasaw Freedmen Card 976).

My wife Lillie, 29, is daughter of Frances Boyd enrolled.

(Not found)

We have children:

Henry, 11; Emma, 8; Bertha, 6; Ophelia, 4; McKinley, 2.

Jack Campbell  
Lillie Campbell  
Henry Campbell  
Emma Campbell  
Bertha Campbell  
Ophelia Campbell  
McKinley Campbell

enrolled.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*McKinley Campbell*

as a citizen of

*Lehoctaw*

Nation.

Approved

JUN 2 1904

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child*  
*filed for enrollment 10-10-98*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
**FILED**

  
CHAIRMAN.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as freeman Choctaw of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of McKinley Campbell, born on the 1st day of November, 1896.  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Jack Campbell a freeman of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Lillie Campbell a freeman of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Vireton, Indian Territory.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Central INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Lillie Campbell, on oath state that I am thirty eight  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Jack Campbell, who is a citizen, by  
adoption of the Choctaw Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 1st day of November, 1896, that said child has been named  
McKinley Campbell, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

X Lillie Campbell

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of May, 1904.  
My commission expires May 29, 1904.  
Stephens NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY.  
Central District.

I, Ther Pulcher, a midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Lillie Campbell, wife of Jack Campbell  
 on the 1st day of November, 1896, that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
McKinley Campbell.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

X Ther Pulcher  
 mark

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of May, 1904.

Milton J. L. Lewis  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Erdie Campbell*

as a citizen of

*Lehostaw*

Nation.

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child listed  
for enrollment June 6/19/99  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
FILED

  
Commissioner

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the freedman Choctaw Nation,  
 of Erdie Campbell, born on the 9th day of November, 1898  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Jack Campbell a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Lillie Campbell a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Vireton, Indian Ig.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Leumal District.

I, Lillie Campbell, on oath state that I am thirty-eight  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Jack Campbell, who is a citizen, by  
adoption of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 9th day of November, 1898; that said child has been named  
Erdie Campbell, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

x Lillie Campbell

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 21 day of May, 1904.

My commission expires  
May 27, 1904.

W. H. St. John  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Leumal District.

I, Jener Pulcher, a freedman midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Lillie Campbell, wife of Jack Campbell  
 on the 9th day of November, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (Male or female)  
Erdie Campbell.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

x Jener Pulcher  
 mark

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of May, 1904.

Milton, D. I.

J. L. Lewis  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*James Campbell*  
as a citizen of

*Chickasaw* ..... Nation.

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Frances Campbell, born on the 9th day of February, 1902  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: Jack Campbell a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Lillie Campbell a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office Vireton, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Lillie Campbell, on oath state that I am 35  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Jack Campbell, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a female child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on 9th day of February, 1902; that said child has been  
named Frances Campbell, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept, 1902.

N. G. Oglesby  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Annie Kiah, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Lillie Campbell, wife of Jack Campbell,  
on the 9th day of February, 1902; that there was born to her on  
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Frances Campbell.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept, 1902.

Annie Kiah

Lillie Oglesby  
Harry Oglesby

N. G. Oglesby  
NOTARY PUBLIC

19-677.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 27, 1908.

Jack Campbell,

Vireton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Francis Campbell, infant daughter of Jack and Lillie Campbell, born February 9, 1908.

In the caption of the application it is stated that the mother and father are Chickasaw freedmen, while the affidavit of the mother states that the parents of the child are citizens by birth of the Choctaw Nation.

You are informed that the records of this office show that Jack and Lillie Campbell are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen. This fact should be made to appear in the affidavit of the mother, and the application for the enrollment of your child is returned you herewith, and there is also enclosed a blank application for the enrollment of an infant child.

Upon return of the same properly executed, the matter will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

Enc. N.I. 29.

Acting Chairman.

12-277.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 2, 1908.

Jack Campbell,

Wireton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Frenode Campbell, infant daughter of Jack and Lillie Campbell, born February 9, 1902; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 6, 1902.

Jack Campbell,

Vireton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3rd instant, in which you state that your neighbors are getting notices to register and you desire to be advised if it is necessary for you to register again.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that Jack Campbell, his wife, Lillie Campbell and their children, Henry, Emma, Bertha, Ophelia, McKinley, Edie and Frances Campbell are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen.

If you desire to offer any further testimony in support of the application for the enrollment of yourself and your family, you will be heard upon your appearance before the Commission at one of the appointments designated in the circular enclosed you herewith.

Respectfully,

Enc. circular

Acting Chairman.



Chickasaw Freedman  
977

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 5, 1903.

Jack Campbell,  
Vireton, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Your letter of August 26, addressed to the United States Indian Agent, relative to the enrollment of yourself and family as Chickasaw freedmen, has been referred to this Commission for reply.

In reply you are advised that it appears from our records that Jack Campbell and his wife, Lillie Campbell, and their children, Henry, Emma, Bertha, Ophelia, McKinley, Erdie and Frances Campbell, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1188.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1906.

Jack Campbell,

Walls, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, McKinley and Erdie Campbell, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of these children has ever been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the enclosed blanks for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should have your immediate attention as until the affidavits requested are received, nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of these children as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation.

Respectfully,

S. B. C.  
Rev.

Chairman.

17-1168

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 12, 1904.

H. Augustus Gness,

Attorney at Law,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 20, 1904, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, and by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you call attention to an apparent oversight in the approving of the seven children of Jack Campbell and his wife, as Choctaw freedmen, calling attention to the fact that McKinley and Edie Campbell, aged 8 and 6 respectively have not been approved and Mr. Campbell is very anxious to have the matter attended to at the earliest possible time.

You are informed it appears from our records that Jack Campbell, his wife, Lillie Campbell, and his minor children, Henry, Emma, Bertha, Ephelia and Frances Campbell, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

Under date of November 27, 1903, a letter was addressed to Jack Campbell, Walls, Indian Territory, enclosing two blank applications for the enrollment of infant children and advising him that in the matter of the application for enrollment of McKinley

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and Erdie Campbell as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it would be necessary that evidence of the birth of said children be furnished the Commission. Up to this time, however, this office has not received the evidence of birth requested.

For the purpose of assisting Jack Campbell in the matter there is enclosed herewith two blank applications for the enrollment of infant children. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and in event either of the persons whose names are to be signed to the affidavits are unable to write and their signatures are by mark, that such signatures be attested by two disinterested parties able to write their own name.

The Notary Public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged must affix his jurat and seal to each separate affidavit.

Upon return of the affidavits properly executed as directed herein, the enrollment of McKinley and Erdie Campbell will receive proper consideration.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1100

Washington, Indian Territory, June 1, 1904.

Jack Campbell,

Wreton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Lillie Campbell and Tener Pulcher, relative to the birth of your minor son, McKinley Campbell, November 1, 1896, also the affidavits of Lillie Campbell and Tener Pulcher, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Ernie Campbell, November 9, 1896, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named children.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1188

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 2, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chectaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notations have this day been placed upon original Chectaw freedmen enrollment card, No. 1188, Jack Campbell, et al.:

"No. 7 born Nov. 1, 1896; proof of birth filed June 2, 1904."

"No. 8 born Nov. 9, 1898; proof of birth filed June 2, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon the duplicate card of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Jack Campbell 35

Lottie " 29

Henry " 11

Emma " 8

Bertha " 6

Aphelia " 4

M. Conley 3

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Choctaw Fr. 1189

Frances Tinkshell

Fr. 1189

## FREEDMAN

In re application of Henry Tinkshell to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Red Oak, I. T., June 19th, 1899, for enrollment of his new born child as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Henry Tinkshell. I want to enroll my child, its mother was enrolled in the Chickasaw Nation last fall.

Q. Any body here you can prove the birth of this child by? A. Yes sir Joshua Johnson being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, testified as follows:-

Q. Do you know this man? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is his name? A. Henry Tinkshell.

Q. Has he got a child at his house about six months old? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Its his and his wife's child is it? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is its name? A. Seabell R. Tinkshell.

(Enrolled Child as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 979.

IN RE application of Frances Tinkshell and others.

(See testimony of Solomon Campbell and others, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 978)

Frances Tinkshell  
Monroe Tinkshell

enrolled.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Mouroe Jimpshell

as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child for  
whose enrollment application  
was made 10/10/98

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In His Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the (Freedman) Cherokee Nation,  
 of Mamie Jinschell, born on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897  
(Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Henry Jinschell a citizen of the (Freedman) Cherokee Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Frances Jinschell a citizen of the (Freedman) Cherokee Nation.  
 Post-office Hatch, N.M.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Frances Jinschell, on oath state that I am twenty-three  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Cherokee Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Henry Jinschell, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Cherokee Nation; that a male child was  
(Male or female)  
 born to me on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897; that said child has been named  
Mamie Jinschell, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Frances Jinschell  
X

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

James L. Smith  
Notary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1904

J. A. Richardson

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Jena Pulecher, a mid-wife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Frances Jinschell, wife of Henry Jinschell  
 on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1897; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Mamie Jinschell  
(MALE OR FEMALE)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Jena Pulecher  
X

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

James L. Smith  
Notary

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1904

J. A. Richardson

NOTARY PUBLIC.



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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Seahell R. Tinkshell

as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

FEB 1 1904

Commissioner.

proof of birth of child  
for whose enrollment  
application was made June 19/99

DEPARTMENT

COMMISSION TO THE CHOCTAW TRIBES  
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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the (Cherokee) Nation,  
of Seabell R. Tinschell, born on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1898.  
(Here insert name of child)

Name of Father: Henry Tinschell a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.

Name of Mother: Frances Tinschell a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.

Post-office Hatch, N.M.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Frances Tinschell, on oath state that I am twenty-three years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Cherokee Nation; that I am the lawful wife of Henry Tinschell, who is a citizen, by adoption, of the Cherokee Nation; that a female child was (Male or female) born to me on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1898; that said child has been named Seabell R. Tinschell, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Frank Lewis  
Q. A. Motril

Frances Tinschell  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1904.

D. J. Richardson

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Iena Patcher, a midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Frances Tinschell, wife of Henry Tinschell, on the 6<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1898; that there was born to her on said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Seabell R. Tinschell.  
(MALE OR FEMALE)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Frank Lewis  
Q. A. Motril

Iena Patcher  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13<sup>th</sup> day of January, 1904.

D. J. Richardson

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Winkroge, Indian Territory, June 22, 1901.

Mr. Henry Tinkshell,

Walls, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of an application for enrollment as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation of Hurley Solomon Tinkshell the infant son of Henry and Francis Tinkshell, born April 7, 1901, and the same is returned to you for the reason that it is improperly executed.

It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that she is twenty-one years of age and a citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation, and that she is the lawful wife of Henry Tinkshell who is a citizen by blood of the Cherokee Nation.

You are informed that the records of the Commission show that Frances Tinkshell and her son, Monroe Tinkshell were listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen on October 10, 1898. You will therefore understand that the statement in the affidavit that the mother of this child is a citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation is incorrect, and that application should have been made for the enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Also the affidavit of the mother should show that she is a Chickasaw Freedman.

There is enclosed herewith a blank form of application for

the Commission at your latest meeting, and the Commission has  
returned to the Commission, and the Commission has

Yours truly,

Wm  
T.C.

Commissioner in charge,

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Frances Tinkshell,

Walls, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of your children, Monroe and Seabell R. Tinkshell, as Choctaw freedmen, it does not appear that there is any evidence of the birth of said children on file with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blanks for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as until these affidavits are supplied nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of these children as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

S. B. G.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1189

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 1, 1904.

Frances Tinkshell,

Hartshorne, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Tena Pulcher, relative to the birth of your minor son, Monroe Tinkshell, January 30, 1897; also your affidavit and that of Tena Pulcher, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Seabell R. Tinkshell, November 6, 1898, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1189

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 1, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notations have this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card, number 1189:

"No. 2 born Jan. 30, 1897; proof of birth *filed*  
Feby. 1, 1904."  
"No. 3 born Nov. 6, 1896; proof of birth *filed*  
Feby. 1, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon the duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1189

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 14, 1904.

Frances Tinokshell,

Walls, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 7th inst., requesting information relative to the enrollment of your minor children, Monroe and Cebeil Tinokshell.

You are informed it appears from our records that Monroe and Cebeil R. Tinokshell have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Fr. 1190

John Howell

Fr. 1190

Chicago Freedmen Card 2802.

IN RE application of John Howell and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKenyon.

Birdie Nail says:

My father John Howell, 48, belonged to  
Shumaleah.

I have a brother Lewis Howell, 13.

My husband's first wife Saphronia, belonged to Minerva Colbert.

She is dead. She had children:

Etta Nail, 26; Byington Nail, 23; and

Dacy, 21, wife of George Shepard a U.S. citizen. She has no chil-  
dren.

Colbert, Oct. 10, '98

Annie Nail, 18.

John Howell  
Lewis Howell

enrolled.

John McNeill, 48

Levin's " 13

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Silvia Cass



Chickasaw Freedmen Card 984.

IN RE application of Silvia Cass and others.  
Power of Attorney to Commissioner McKennon,

Peter Cass says:

I am 38. I belonged to Jack Riddle. I am a  
Choctaw.

My wife Silvia, 39, is daughter of Easter Brown who

Richard Brashears says:

I knew Easter Brown. She belonged Ella  
Reed, afterwards, Austin. I knew Malsy Jones. She belonged  
to Daniel Davis.

Peter Cass further says:

We have children: Lucy, 10; Pearl, 5;  
Alfred, 3; and Simpson, 1 month.

I have one child by my first wife Malsy. The child is:  
Gus, 16.

Silvia Cass  
Lucy Cass  
Pearl Cass  
Alfred Cass  
Simpson Cass  
Gus Cass

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IN RE

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INFANT CHILD

*Walter Cass*

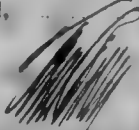
as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation.

Approved, SEP 12 1901

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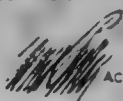


Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Walter Bass, born on the 5 day of July, 1901.  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Peter Bass, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Sylvia Bass, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Latham, I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Sylvia Bass, on oath state that I am About 30  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Peter Bass, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation, that a Male child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 5 day of July, 1901; that said child has been  
named Walter Bass, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

H. Choate  
A. Jones

Sylvia Bass  
her  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of September, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

Frank D. Luman  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Lucien Pulcher, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Sylvia Bass, wife of Peter Bass,  
on the 5 day of July, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Walter.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

H. Choate  
A. Jones

Lucien Pulcher  
her  
mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of September, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

Frank D. Luman  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Simpson Case*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Simpson Coas, born on the 1st day of October 1899  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Peter Coas a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Silvery Coas a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Suter IT

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,

Castro District.

I, Silvery Coas, on oath state that I am Thirty five  
 years of age and a citizen, by blood (freedom) of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Peter Coas, who is a citizen, by  
freedom, of the Choctaw Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 1st day of October 1899; that said child has been named  
Simpson Coas, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

8th

day of

December1903

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,

Castro District.

I, Lina Butcher, a midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Silvery Coas, wife of Peter Coas  
 on the 1st day of October 1899; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Simpson Coas

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

8th

day of

December1903

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Simpson base*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

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*proof of birth of child  
list for enrollment*

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*15 1904*

*[Signature]*

CHARTER

*File with*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Simpson Cass (Here insert name of child), born on the 1 day of October 1898  
 Name of Father: Peatos Cass a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Silvey Cass a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office: Griffiths

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Silvey Cass, on oath state that I am 65  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Peatos Cass, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Boy child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on the 1 day of October 1898; that said child has been named  
Simpson Cass, and is now living. Silvey Cass

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

11 day of February 1904D. H. Shepherd

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Tena Pulcher, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Silvey Cass, wife of Peatos Cass  
 on the 11 day of October 1898; that there was born to her on said  
 date a Boy child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Simpson Cass

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Bert ShepherdD. W. Shepherd

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

11 day of

February1904

My Commission Expires 15th Dec. 1900

D. H. Shepherd

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Gray Cass*  
of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]* ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Gus Case

(Here insert name of deceased.)

a citizen of the Chickasaw Freedman Nation, who formerly resided at or nearBrazil

(Here insert name of post office.)

, Ind. Ter., and died on the 26th day ofJanuary, 1902

## AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.I, Peter Case, on oath state that I am 49years of age and a citizen, by freedman, of the Choctaw Nation;that my post office address is Wales, Ind. Ter.; that I am

(Here insert name of post office.)

the father of Gus Case,

(State relationship of the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.)

(Here insert name of deceased.)

who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;and that said Gus Case died on the 26 day of

(Here insert name of deceased.)

January, 1902. Peter Case

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Wm C. Bunn  
W. McMillanSubscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of December 1902P. C. Bolger  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.I, Ned Pulcher, on oath state that I am 38years of age, and a citizen, by freedman, of the Choctaw Nation;that my post office address is Wales, Ind. Ter.;

(Here insert name of post office.)

that I was personally acquainted with Gus Case,

(Here insert name of deceased.)

who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;and that said Gus Case died on the 26 day of

(Here insert name of deceased.)

January, 1902. Ned Pulcher

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Wm C. Bunn  
W. McMillanSubscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of December 1902P. C. Bolger  
Notary Public.

Mustoge, Indian Territory, September 12, 1902

Mr. Peter Case,

Latimer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for the enrollment of a Chickasaw Freedman of Walter Case, the infant son of Peter and Sylvia Case, born July 5, 1902, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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17-1191.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Silvia Cass,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Simpson Cass, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of said child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the enclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as until this affidavit is received, nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your son, Simpson Cass, as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Rev.

Chairman.

17-1191

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 12, 1903.

Peter Cass,

Intle, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Silvia Cass and Tena Pulcher relative to the birth of your minor son, Simpson Cass, which it is stated occurred October 1, 1899.

You are informed it appears from our records that when you made application for the enrollment of Simpson Cass, October 10, 1898, that the child was then one month old, it is therefore believed that the affidavits of Silvia Cass and Tena Pulcher are in error as to the year in which said child was born. If your sworn statement at the time application was made for the enrollment of this child, October 10, 1898, was then correct it will be necessary that you furnish the Commission with new affidavits of the mother and attending midwife showing the correct year in which this child was born.

For the purpose of assisting you in the matter, there is enclosed herewith new blank affidavits which you are requested to have properly executed and return to this office at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

B. C.

Chairman.



17-1191

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 1, 1904.

Sylvia Cass,

Brasil, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 26, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that Sylvia Cass, and her minor children, Lucy, Pearl, Alfred and Walter Cass, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further informed it appears from our records that on December 8, 1903, you and <sup>Tena</sup>~~Tom~~ Pulcher made affidavit relative to the birth of your minor child, Simpson, Cass, in which it was stated said child was born, October 1, 1899. It is shown by our records that you made application for the enrollment of yourself and your minor children, October 10, 1898, and in the testimony of your husband, Peter Cass, taken at that time it is stated that Simpson Cass was one month old. If this statement by the father is correct, it will be necessary before the application of the enrollment for

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your minor son, Simpson Cass, can receive further consideration that you furnish the Commission with affidavits relative to his birth which are correct as to dates, and a blank for such purposes is enclosed you herewith.

Respectfully,

T. W. Needles,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 15, 1904.

Silvia Cass,

Butter, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Tena Pilsner, relative to the birth of your minor son, Simpson Cass, October 1, 1898, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1191

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 15, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Chickasaw Land Office,  
Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,  
number 1191:

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"No. 5 born Oct. 1, 1898. Proof  
of birth filed Feby. 15, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon  
the duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1191

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 15, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chester Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has this day been made upon original Chester freedman enrollment card, number 1191:

"No. 5 born Oct. 1, 1893. Proof of birth filed Feby. 15, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon the duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 14, 1904.

Peter Cass,

Sitter, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your minor son, Sampson Cass.

You are informed it appears from our records that Sampson Cass, minor son of Peter and Silvia Cass, born October 1, 1898, has been duly listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but his name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Anna Cass 29

Lucy " 10

Pearl " 5-

Alfred " 3

Amelia " 1 mo

Gas Cass 16

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Choctaw Fr. 119a

Elias Brown

119a

FREEDMAN

In re application of Benjamin Brown to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Red Oak, I. T., June 19th, 1899, for enrollment of his child as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Benjamin Brown.

Q. How old are you? A. About 41.

Q. Who was your mistress? A. Katie Brown, a Chickasaw. I want to register my child.

Q. Who was the child's mother? A. Charlotte Tice.

Q. What is the child's name? A. Calenia Baster Brown.

Q. Is your wife a citizen or a state woman? A. State woman.

Q. Were you married to her? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got a marriage certificate? A. Yes sir.

(Marriage certificate produced, and child enrolled as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 985.

IN RE application of Lucinda Brown.

Sworn by Commissioner A.S. McKennon,

Benjamin Brown says:

I am 39. I belonged to Kate Moore.

My wife Charlotte is a U.S. citizen. I have no children.

My mother Lucinda Brown, is 69.

My brother Elias Brown, 55, belonged to Kate Moore.

My brother Elisha Brown, 51, also belonged to her. His family are Choctaws.

My brother Collins Brown, 31, his wife is a U.S. citizen. He was lawfully married to her. He has children:

Melvina, 9; Moline, 7; Pecky, 6; Edmund, 5; John, 2.

My sister Mimy, 53 belonged to Kate Moore. She has no family.

Lucinda Brown  
Elias Brown  
Mimy Brown  
Elisha Brown  
Benjamin Brown

enrolled.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Calonia Easter Brown

as a citizen of

Roctaw

Nation

Approved

DEC 31 1903

For

Commissioner

proof of birth of child for  
whose enrollment  
application was made  
June 19 1899

DEPARTMENT  
COMMISSION TO THE FREEDMEN  
FILED  
DEC 31 1903

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CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

17-1192

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Galonia Easter Brown* born on the *2* day of *April*, 1899  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: *Benjamin Brown* citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Charlotte Brown* <sup>non</sup> citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Post-office *Brazil, Ind. Ter.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*General* District.

I, *Charlotte Brown*, on oath state that I am *24*  
<sup>non</sup> years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Benjamin Brown*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption* of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *Female* child was  
(Male or female)  
born to me on *2nd* day of *April*, 1899; that said child has been named  
*Galonia Easter*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses*Jerry Brown*  
*A. M. Moore**Charlotte X Brown*  
markSubscribed and sworn to before me this *28* day of *Dec*, 1903*Frank D. Sullivan*  
My Comm. Expires *Dec 9-1904*  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*General* District.

I, *Jesse Culcher*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. *Charlotte Brown*, wife of *Benjamin Brown*  
on the *2nd* day of *April*, 1899; that there was born to her on said  
date a *Female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
(MALE OR FEMALE)  
*Galonia Easter*

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses*A. M. Moore*  
*Jerry Brown**Jesse X Culcher*  
markSubscribed and sworn to before me this *28* day of *Dec*, 1903*Frank D. Sullivan*  
My Comm. Expires *Dec 9-1904*  
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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Lucinda Brown*  
a citizen of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN # 985.

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of

Lucinda Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

a citizen of the

Chickasaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Wellington, Ind. Ter., and died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

April, 1900

### AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Clisha Brown, on oath state that I am 53

years of age and a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;

that my post office address is Damon, Ind. Ter.; that I am

a son of Lucinda Brown,  
(State relationship as: the father, an uncle, a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)

who was a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;

and that said Lucinda Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

April, 1900 Clisha Brown  
mark

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Wm O Brown  
B M Miller

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December 1902

H. H. Hite

Notary Public.

### AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, William Moore, on oath state that I am 53

years of age, and a citizen, by freedman of the Choctaw Nation;

that my post office address is Damon, Ind. Ter.;

that I was personally acquainted with Lucinda Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

who was a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;

and that said Lucinda Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of

April, 1900 William Moore

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December 1902

H. H. Hite

Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Fredona Idetta Brown*

as a citizen of the

*Chickasaw*

Nation.

Approved,

JUL 25 1901

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

JUL 25 1901

*[Signature]*

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
 of *Fredona Ideller Brown*, born on the *3* day of *June*, 1901  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: *Benjamin Brown*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Shelattie Brown*, a citizen of the *non citizen* Nation.  
 Postoffice, *Brazil, I. T.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Central* District. )

I, *Shelattie Brown*, on oath state that I am *21*  
*non*  
 years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *Benjamin Brown*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *Female* child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the *3* day of *June*, 1901; that said child has been  
 named *Fredona Ideller Brown*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

*Shelattie X Brown*  
*mark*  
*Henry Chaate*  
*A Jones*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *22* day of *July*, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

*Frank O'Donnell*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Central* District. )

I, *Mrs Lener Pulcha*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Shelattie Brown*, wife of *Benjamin Brown*,  
 on the *3* day of *June*, 1901; that there was born to her on  
 said date a *Female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female)  
 named *Fredona Ideller*.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

*Lener X Pulcha*  
*mark*  
*Henry Chaate*  
*A Jones*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *22* day of *July*, 1901.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

*Frank O'Donnell*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 25, 1901.

Mr. Benjamin Brown,  
Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Freedom Idetter Brown, the infant daughter of Benjamin and Charlotte Brown, born June 3, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner in Charge.

17-1192.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Benjamin Brown,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Calonia Easter Brown, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, you are advised that it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with proof of birth of said child. A blank for that purpose is enclosed you herewith.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Choctaw freedman until this affidavit is received.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.



Chectaw Freedman  
1192

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 22, 1903.

Benjamin Brown,  
Brazil, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 15, in which you state that you have been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman heretofore, and that you are now informed that you are being enrolled as a Chectaw freedman, which is not correct.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the Chickasaw Nation made no roll of Chickasaw freedmen, and as your name appears upon the roll of freedmen made by the Chectaw tribal authorities you are being enrolled as a Chectaw freedman, together with your daughter, Freedona Idetter, Brown.

You are further advised that it will be necessary for you to furnish evidence of the birth of your child, Calenia Master Brown, before further consideration can be given her enrollment as a freedman of the Chectaw nation, and for the purpose of making such proof of birth there is inclosed you herewith blank form which kindly have executed and return to this office as early as practicable. In having the same executed be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the Notary Public before

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whom the affidavits are acknowledged affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two witnesses who can sign their own names. There is inclosed you herewith envelope for the return of this evidence of birth, which requires no postage.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

BC  
Enc.

17-1192.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 31, 1893.

Benjamin Brown,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Charlotte Brown and Tener Pulcher, relative to the birth of your minor daughter Calonia Easter Brown, April 2, 1899; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of the birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw-F-1192

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 2, 1904.

Benjamin Brown,  
Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 28, 1903, asking if your name is on the approved rolls, as you desire to file on your land.

In reply to your letter you are informed that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior, but your enrollment has not yet been approved by him.

You will not, therefore, be permitted to file on your allotment at this time.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman  
1193

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 7, 1904.

Benjamin Brown,

Brasil, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 29, asking if the enrollment of yourself and your children has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Benjamin Brown and his child, Freedona Idetter Brown have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment was approved by the Secretary of the Interior on February 16, 1904. The enrollment of your child, Calonia Easter Brown, has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in charge.

17-1192

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 24, 1904.

Benjamin Brown,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 14th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your daughter, Calania Easter Brown.

You are informed it appears from our records that said child is an applicant to this Commission for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It is probable, however, that her name will be included in the next schedule of Choctaw freedmen, forwarded to the Department.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1192

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 15, 1904.

Benjamin Brown,

Merwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., relative to the enrollment of your minor daughter, Calonia Master Brown.

You are informed it appears from our records that Calonia Master Brown is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

You are further informed it appears from our records that Minnie, Elisha, Ben and Fredona Idetter Brown, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman,  
1192.

Wintages, Indian Territory, July 27, 1904.

Benjamin Brown,

Brazil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 19, in which you ask if your daughter, Calonia Esther Brown, has been approved.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that Calonia Esther Brown has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw Freedman and her enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904. Selection of allotment may now be made in her behalf, in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of Homesteads, copy of which is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

Rules for allotment.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1192

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 11, 1905

Jim Colbert,

Carbon, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 3, 1905, asking if your wife Lizzie Brown has been enrolled as a Choctaw or Chickasaw freedman; you state that her case has been pending for some time and that her father is Elias Brown.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein is not sufficient to identify Lizzie Brown or Colbert as an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw or Chickasaw freedman.

It appears from the records of this office that Elias Brown has been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, but it does not appear that application was made by him for the enrollment of a daughter named Lizzie Brown. If you will state when, where and under what name Lizzie Brown made application for enrollment as a Choctaw or Chickasaw freedman, her age, and the name of her mother the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

17-1192.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 27, 1906.

Mr. Elias Brown,  
Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 14th., in the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Melina Brown, et al, in which you state that the witnesses to your marriage are all dead and that you are financially unable to appear at this office for the purpose of giving testimony relative to their right to enrollment.

In reply you are advised that it appears from the records of this office that your children are of age, and it is suggested that it would be to their interest in the matter of their enrollment as Choctaw freedmen to secure your attendance at this office with witnesses for the purpose of testifying relative to your marriage with their mother and their residence up to September 25, 1902.

Very respectfully,

H. C. C.

Acting Commissioner.

Lucinda Brown, 69

Elias " 55-

Mimie " 53

Elisha " 51

Benjamin " 39

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Choctaw Fr. 1193

Collins Brown

Fr. 1193



Chickasaw Freedmen Card 986.

IN RE application of Collins Brown and others.

(See testimony of Benjamin Brown, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 985).

Collins Brown  
Melvina Brown  
Moline Brown  
Becky Brown  
Edmund Brown  
John Brown

enrolled.

17-1193.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Collins Brown,  
Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, John Brown, as a Choctaw freedman, it does not appear that any evidence of the birth of this child has been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return the enclosed blank affidavit.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your prompt attention as until this affidavit is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your son, John Brown, as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1193

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 2, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,  
No. 1193:

"No. 6 born Oct. 5, 1897; proof of birth  
filed Jan. 2, 1904"

You are, therefore, requested to make like notation upon  
the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above  
information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1193

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 2, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chickasaw Land Office,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has this day been made upon original Chectaw freedman enrollment card No. 1193:

"No. 8 born Oct. 8, 1897; proof of birth  
filed Jan. 2, 1904"

You are, therefore, requested to make like notation upon the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1193

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 2, 1904.

Collins Brown,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of  
Matilda and Peggy Brown relative to the birth of your minor son,  
John Brown, October 5, 1897; and the same being in proper form have  
been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence  
of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*John Brown*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child  
for whose enrollment  
application was made*

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DEPARTMENT OF  
COMMISSION TO THE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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CHOCTAW FREEMAN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of John Brown (Here insert name of child), born on the 5 day of October, 1897  
 Name of Father: Collins Brown a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Matilda Brown she is an Indian citizen a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Wilburton 2 P.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, Matilda Brown, on oath state that I am Forty years of age and 3 am not a citizen of any Indian Tribe or Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Collins Brown, who is a citizen, by  
20 a Freedman of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 5 day of October, 1897, that said child has been named  
John Brown, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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day of

Dec.

1903

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, Peggy Brown, a midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Matilda Brown, wife of Collins Brown  
 on the 5 day of October, 1897, that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (Male or female)  
John Brown.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30

day of

December

1903

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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| Callius Brown, | 31 |
| Melania "      | 9  |
| Moline "       | 7  |
| Becky "        | 6  |
| Edmund "       | ✓  |
| John "         | 2  |

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Choctaw Fr. 1194

Matilda Cutchlo

Fr. 1194

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

South McAlester, Indian Territory, November 8, 1906.

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In the matter of Mollie Caruth, Number 1438, Field Card Number 1438, Freedman Roll of the Choctaw Nation, being identical with Mollie Tinkshell, on the approved Freedman Roll, Choctaw Nation, Field Card Number 1194, Roll Number 4313.

Testimony taken three miles west of Sutter, Indian Territory, at home of Henry Cutchlo, October 23, 1906.

HENRY CUTCULO, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Oath administered by Lacey P. Bobo, Notary Public in and for the Central District of Indian Territory.

BY THE COMMISSIONER:

- Q What is your name? A Henry Cutchlo.  
Q How old are you? A 27.  
Q What is your post office address? A Brazil, I. T.  
Q Who are your parents? A Henry Cutchlo was my father and Matilda Cutchlo is my mother.

Witness is identified as a Choctaw Freedman,  
Roll Number 3882.

- Q Are you related to Mollie Tinkshell, if so state relationship?  
A She is my half sister on my mother's side.  
Q Who is the father of Mollie Tinkshell? A Tom Caruth.  
Q Are you acquainted with a Mollie Caruth that lives in the vicinity of Brazil? A Yes, sir.  
Q Do you regard this Mollie Caruth as being identical with Mollie Tinkshell? A yes, sir.  
Q Who is the mother of Mollie Caruth? A Matilda Cutchlo.  
Q Who is the father? A Tom Caruth.  
Q Is your half sister, Mollie Tinkshell, generally known in the vicinity of Brazil, Indian Territory, by the name of Mollie Caruth also? A yes, sir.  
Q Can you read and write? A yes, sir.

Copies of Choctaw Freedman Field Cards Nos. 1194m and 1438 are here exhibited witness:

- Q Do you know positively that the Mollie Tinkshell who appears as #2 on Choctaw Freedman Field Card Number 1194 is identical with the Mollie Caruth who is #1 on Choctaw Freedman Field Card Number 1438, and that that party is your half sister?  
A Yes, sir, I knew her to be the same woman. Mollie Caruth is her right name, that is her father's name; Tinkshell was her husband's name.

Witness Knewed.

In re the duplicate enrollment of Mollie Tinkshell---#2.

Testimony taken two miles east of Bokoshe, Indian Territory, October 23, 1906.

MOLLIE TINKSHELL, being duly sworn by Lacey P. Bobo, Notary Public in and for the Central District of Indian Territory, testified as follows:

BY THE COMMISSIONER:

- Q What is your name? A Mollie Tinkshell.  
Q How old are you? A About 45, I think.  
Q What is your post office address? A Bokoshe, it used to be Brazil.  
Q Are you a duly enrolled freedman of the Choctaw Nation?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q Have you made selection of land as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation in either of Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation?  
A Yes, sir.

Witness here produces Choctaw Freedman certificate No. 6540 showing selection of allotment for Mollie Tinkshell, Choctaw Freedman No. 4313.

- Q Who was your father? A Tom Caruth.  
Q Who was your mother? A Matilda Cutchlo.  
Q Are you generally known in the vicinity of Brazil by any other name besides Mollie Tinkshell?  
A When I was a girl I was known as Mollie Caruth.  
Q How many Matilda Cutchlo's are there in the vicinity of Brazil Indian Territory? A Just one.  
Q Has Matilda Cutchlo one daughter named Mollie Tinkshell and another named Mollie Caruth, or is Mollie Caruth identical with Mollie Tinkshell and that person yourself?  
A I have done told you it is the same woman with two names.  
Q Can you read and write? A Not much.  
Q Were you born in slavery? A Yes.  
Q To whom did you belong? A Jim Boyd.  
Q The name Mollie Tinkshell appears on Choctaw Freedman Card No. 1194; the name Mollie Caruth appears on Choctaw Freedman Card Number 1438; inasmuch as you have selected land under the name of Mollie Tinkshell and admit that Mollie Tinkshell is identical with Mollie Caruth and that person yourself, which one of these names do you think should be stricken from the Choctaw Freedman Roll?  
A I want to go under that last name, Mollie Tinkshell.

Witness Excused.

W. P. Covington, being duly sworn, states that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in said case on said date.

Sworn and subscribed to before me, this 5<sup>th</sup> day of Oct 1906.

*W. P. Covington*  
Notary Public.



Chickasaw Freedmen Card 989.

IN RE application of Matilda Outchlo and others.

(See testimony of Mollie Boyd Chickasaw Freedmen Card 987)

Matilda  
Mollie  
Alec Brown  
Edmund Brown  
Henry Outchlo

enrolled.



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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Abel Brown*

*freedman of the*

CHICKSAW FREEDMEN

*Chickasaw Nation.*

Approved - DEC 23 1902 1902

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT THE  
COMMISSION TO THE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Alek Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
 a citizen of the Chickasaw freedman Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Brazil, Ind. Ter., and died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
August, 1900  
(Here insert name of post office.)

### AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Fannie Cahill, on oath state that I am 25  
 years of age and a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that my post office address is Brazil, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
a half-sister of Alek Brown,  
(State relationship as: the father, an uncle, a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
 who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 and that said Alek Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
August, 1900 Fannie Cahill

WITNESSED TO NAME:

(Must be Two  
 Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December 1902

P.T. Bolger  
 Notary Public.

### AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Thomas Blackwater, on oath state that I am 44  
 years of age, and a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that my post office address is Brazil, Ind. Ter.;  
 that I was personally acquainted with Alek Brown,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
 who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 and that said Alek Brown died on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
August, 1900 Thomas Blackwater

WITNESSED TO NAME:

(Must be Two  
 Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 18th day of December 1902

P.T. Bolger  
 Notary Public.

Choctaw Freedman  
1194

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 20, 1904.

M. O. Brown,

Brasil, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 16, asking the status of the case of Matilda Cutchlow. You also wish to know if it is true that the people have been stopped from filing.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of Matilda Cutchlow and her son, Henry Cutchlow have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, but the Commission has not yet been informed of Departmental application thereon.

You are also advised that the Choctaw and Chickasaw Land Offices are still open for the reception of applications for allotment.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Matilda Cuttels. 67

Mellie Finckell 43

Alec Brown 33

Edmund " 32

Henry Cuttels 21

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Choctaw Fr. 1195

James Eubanks

Fr. 1195

Chickasaw Freedman Card 921

IN RE application of James Rubanks.

Sworn by Commissioner A.E. McKannon,

James Rubanks says:

I am 27. I am son of Frances Rubanks enrolled.  
(Chickasaw Freedman Card 920)

She belonged to James Boyd. Her family are Creeks.

James Rubanks

enrolled.



Chickasaw  
Freedman-991

Washago, Indian Territory, September 2, 1903.

James Eubanks,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August, 19, 1903, requesting information relative to your enrollment.

In reply thereto you are informed that it appears from our records that James Eubanks, son of Henry and Sophia Eubanks, has been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, but his name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw freedmen  
1196

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 20, 1904.

James Eubanks,

Wilburton, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Your letter of February 3, 1904, addressed to the secretary of the interior, has been by him referred to the Commission for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you ask if your name has been approved as a Chickasaw freedman.

In reply to your letter you are advised that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of the interior, but the Commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

17-1195

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 11, 1906

James Eubanks,

Latham, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to your letter of July 24, 1906, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior which has been referred to this office for consideration and appropriate action, you are advised that the time within which applications could be received by the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of minor children under the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, expired July 25, 1906.

It has recently been held by the Department that the minor children of Choctaw freedmen who were living on March 4, 1906, are entitled to enrollment provided application was made within the time prescribed by law, or prior to July 25, 1906.

If it is claimed that such an application was made for the enrollment of children of Choctaw freedmen prior to July 25, 1906, the parents should appear before the Choctaw Land Office at Atoka, Indian Territory, any time prior to January 1, 1907 for the purpose of presenting testimony relative to the submission of such application within the required time.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

James Eubanks, 27

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Choctaw Fe 1196

Sissy Lucky

Transferred To 7-6080

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1196  
Abraham Friedman

Bessie Luckly

Transferred to 7 6070  
Feb 25 1901



Choctaw Fr 1197

Charley Moore

Fr 1197

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1000.

IN RE application of Charley Moore.

(See testimony of Simon W. Lewis, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 998).

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Elvie Curry, 63 <sup>999</sup>

Charley Moore, <sup>1100</sup>  
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Lizzie " 999 18  
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Choctaw Fr. 1198

Matilda Russell

Fr. 1198

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1051.

IN RE application of Matilda Russell;

(See testimony of Webster Burton, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1055).

Matilda Russell

enrolled;



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FREEDMAN

In re application of Matilda Russell to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikehi, I. T., April 22nd, 1899 for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Matilda Russell.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Hannah Lewis when she died.

Q. Who was her master? A. Dr. Murray.

Q. Who was Hannah's mother and father? A. Sam and Betty Burton

Q. What were they? A. Chickasaws.

I have three sisters and two brothers I want to enroll.

Q. Are they all Hannah's children? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are they all living? A. My brother and sister, Samuel and Georgia are living with me, and I want to enroll them.

(Enrolled Matilda Russell, and one brother and one sister as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*H. A. Smalley*



*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-22* 1899.

Name *Matilda Russell or rather Matilda Fulbright*

Choctaw? County Year No. *1360*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Samuel Fulbright* County Year Page No. *1362*  
*Georgia* County Year Page No. *1363*

County Year Page No.

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Mattilda Russell, 23

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Choctaw Fe. 1199

Ada Nunnely

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Ada Nunnally, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikahi, I.T., April 24th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Ada Nunnally

Q. Who was your mother? A. Hannah Pullbright.

Q. How old are you? A. 21

Q. Do you live in Texas? A. No sir, in Shawneetown.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir, my husband is a state man.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, one.

Q. What is its name? A. Rosa Nunnally.

Q. Who was your mother before she married Pullbright? A.

Burton.

Q. Have you always lived over here? A. I lived in Texas a few years.

Q. Were you born in Texas? A. Yes sir.

Q. Were your mother and father married over there? A. No sir, over here.

Q. Where do you live now? A. I live in the Nation.

Q. How long have you been back here? A. About twenty years.

Chickasaw  
(Enrolled Ada Nunnally and one child as ~~Shawnee~~ freedmen)

### Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1088

IN RE application of Ada Nunnely and others;

(See testimony of Webster Burton, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1088)

Ada Nunnely  
Melvina Nunnely



# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-24 1899.

Name Ada Kunnally  
 Choctaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. 2669

Chickasaw? yes County Red River Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen by blood? \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law? \_\_\_\_\_

License filed this day, \_\_\_\_\_

Wife's name, \_\_\_\_\_

Choctaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_

Chickasaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_

Citizen by blood? \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's citizenship \_\_\_\_\_

Intermarried citizen? \_\_\_\_\_

Married under what law? \_\_\_\_\_

License filed this day \_\_\_\_\_

Names of children:

3 Rosa Kunnally County Chickasaw Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ No. 2670  
 \_\_\_\_\_ County 4 Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_ No. \_\_\_\_\_  
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Choctaw Fr. 1200

America Rice

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
ATOKA, INDIAN TERRITORY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of James Henry McGuire and Jesse Davis Rice as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation.

America Rice, being first duly sworn upon her oath, testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A America Rice.  
Q How old are you? A I guess about twenty-seven.  
Q What is your mother's name? A Hannah Fullbright.  
Q What is your father's name? A Bill Fullbright.  
Q What is your mother, Choctaw freedman? A She is Chickasaw freedman.  
Q Have you got any children? A Yes sir.  
Q What are their names? A James Henry McGuire, Jesse Davis Rice and Mattie Rice.  
Q Were all of these children living on September 25, 1902?  
A Yes sir.  
Q Are you on the final roll? A Yes sir.  
Q Approved by the Secretary of the Interior? A yes sir.  
Q Are any of your children on the final roll approved by the Secretary of the Interior? A Yes sir. They are all on the roll of Chickasaw freedmen but one approved by the Secretary of the Interior.  
Q Which one? A Mattie Rice.  
Q You have been approved? A Yes sir.  
Q Who is the father of James Henry McGuire? A Lemmon McGuire.  
Q James Henry McGuire your child? A Yes sir.  
Q How old is he? A Eight years old.  
Q Who is the father of Jesse Davis Rice? A John Rice.  
Q Were you married to these men at the time these children were born? A Married to John Rice, not married to Lemmon McGuire.  
Q Is Lemmon McGuire a Choctaw freedman? A Yes sir.  
Q How old is Jesse Davis Rice? A Going on six years old.  
Q Have you filed proof of his birth with the Commission?  
A Yes sir.

Daisy D. Daubin upon oath states that as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes thereof.

Sworn to before me this 11th day of September, 1904.

*Daisy D. Daubin*  
*W. H. Campbell*  
Notary Public.

## FREEDMAN

In re application of America Rice, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Ashkehi, I. T., M April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. America Rice.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man. A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you a sister of Matilda Russell? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Fullbright.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, two, James Henry McGuire and Jessie Davis Rice.

(See testimony of Matilda Russell as to who her mother belonged to, etc)

(Enrolled America Rice and two Children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1053;

IN RE application of America Rice and others.

(See testimony of Webster Burton, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1053.)

America Rice  
Jim Rice

enrolled.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILDJoseph Davis Rice  
as a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child  
listed for enrollment at  
October 12, 1898DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
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CHAIRMAN.

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CHOCTAW FREEDMAN.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Jesse Davis Rice, born on the 30th day of March, 1898.  
Name of Father: John Rice a citizen of the MS Nation.  
Name of Mother: America Rice a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Postoffice: Shawmutown I T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, America Rice, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of John Rice, who is a citizen, by  
of the MS Nation; that a male child was  
(Male or Female.)  
born to me on 30th day of March 1898; that said child has been named  
Jesse Davis Rice, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of August 1904.

Chas A Demmon  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Morpha Ella Hume, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. America Rice, wife of John Rice  
on the 30th day of March 1898; that there was born to her on said date a male  
(Male or Female.)  
child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Jesse Davis Rice  
Morpha Ella Hume

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 24th day of August 1904.

Chas A Demmon  
Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Mattie Rice*

as a citizen of the

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved,

MAY 17 1901

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Commissioner.DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

MAY 17 1901

  
ACTING CHAIRMAN

## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Mathie Rice, born on the 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1900  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: John Rice, a citizen of the U.S. Nation,  
 Name of Mother: America Rice, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Postoffice, Chawuntown I T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District.)

I, America Rice, on oath state that I am 22  
 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of John Rice, who is a citizen, by  
 of the U.S. Nation; that a Female child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the 2nd day of December, 1900; that said child has been  
 named Mathie Rice, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK.

America Rice(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of May, 1901Wm A. Decker

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District.)

I, Lutina Johns, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. America Rice, wife of John Rice,  
 on the 2nd day of December, 1900; that there was born to her on  
 said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named Mathie Rice.

WITNESSES TO MARK.

Lutina + Johns  
witness(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)James Butler  
Ed DeckerSubscribed and sworn to before me this 11 day of May, 1901Wm A. Decker

NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Jimmie Henry McBaine*  
as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child listed for  
enrollment October 17, 1898*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
**FILED**

  
Chairman.

*File with*

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Junior Henry McGinnis, born on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1896  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Lemon McGinnis a citizen of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation.  
 Name of Mother: America Rice a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Shawnee town 27

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,  
Ottawa District.

I, America Rice, on oath state that I am 27  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Lemon McGinnis, who is a citizen, by  
an illegitimate child of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1896; that said child has been named  
Junior Henry McGinnis, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

America RiceMust be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

24<sup>th</sup> day ofAugust1904Chas A Demmon

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Indian Territory,  
Ottawa District.

I, Martha Ella Hunter, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. America Rice, with an illegitimate child  
 on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1896; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (Male or female)  
Junior Henry McGinnis

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Martha Ella HunterMust be Two  
Witnesses.Chas A DemmonH E Allen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

24 day ofAugust1904Chas A Demmon

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Mustagee, Indian Territory, May 17, 1901.

Mr. John Rice,

Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of an application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Mattie Rice, the infant daughter of John and America Rice, born December 8, 1899, and the same, having been corrected by the Commission, has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and your child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

You are informed that the records of the Commission show that America Rice, 19 years old and her minor child, Jim Rice, two years old, were listed for enrollment by the Commission on October 15, 1899, as Chickasaw freedmen. You will therefore understand that the application should be for the enrollment of this child as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1053.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 1, 1901.

America Rice,

Kullitukle, Indian Territory.

Dear Ma'am:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 8th ult., acknowledging receipt of the Commission's letter of the 17th of May relative to the enrollment of your child Mattie Rice, and also stating the names of your other children. In your letter you inform the Commission that in April 1899 at Sulphur Springs Indian Territory, you applied for the enrollment of yourself and two children Jimmie and Jessie Rice.

Replying to your inquiry the Commission has to inform you that it appears from our records that on October 12, 1898, Webster Burton made application to the Commission for the enrollment of yourself and your child Jim Rice, but did not at that time state that you had any other children. It appears that subsequent to that time and on April 23, 1899, you in person appeared before the Commission at Alikohi, Indian Territory and made application for the enrollment of yourself and two children, James Henry McGuire and Jessie Davis Rice. As our records now stand the following members of your family have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen:

1997-1998

American Rice, Japan Rice, Indian Rice, Japan Rice, Rice and  
 Malt, Rice

1990-1991

17-1200

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

America Rice,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Jim and Jesse Davis Rice, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any affidavits of the birth of these children have been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blanks for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your prompt attention as, until these affidavits are received, nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your said children as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

A. B. C.  
Env.

Chairman.

17-1200

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 23, 1904.

America Rice,

Bolchona, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 17th inst., in which you state that you made application for enrollment of yourself and minor children Jim and Jesse Davis Rice as Chickasaw freedmen, and that you do not think there is any need of your furnishing evidence of birth of said children.

You are informed it appears from our records that America Rice, now about 23 years of age, and her minor daughter Mattie, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, and their names forwarded upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

You are further informed that as you desire to have your two minor children, Jim and Jesse Davis Rice, enrolled as Choctaw freedmen it will be necessary, before the application for their enrollment can be given further consideration, that the affidavits relative to the birth of said children, which were forwarded to you in our letter of November 27, 1903, be properly executed and returned to this office with as little delay as possible.

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You are informed it is correct that America Rice and her  
minor children were originally listed for enrollment as Chickasaw  
freedmen, but her name having been found upon the 1896 Choctaw roll  
of freedmen their names have been transferred to a Choctaw freedman  
card.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1200

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 15, 1904.

John Rice,

Idabell, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Jesse Rice and William Maguire, minor children of America Rice.

You are advised it appears from our records that William Rice and Jesse Davis Rice, infant children of America Rice, are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but before their application for enrollment as such can be given further consideration it will be necessary that the Commission be furnished with evidence of the birth of each child, and blanks for that purpose are enclosed herewith.

It is important that this matter be given immediate attention.

Respectfully,

D.C. 2.

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1800

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 30, 1904.

America Rice,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Martha Ella Hughes relative to the birth of your minor son, Jimmie Henry McGuire July 15, 1896. Also your affidavit and that of Martha Ella Hughes relative to the birth of your minor son, Jesse Davis Rice March 30, 1898 and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said children.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1200

Muskogee, Indian Territory September 1, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chickasaw Land Office,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby advised that the following notations have this day been made upon original Choctaw Freedman enrollment card number 1200 America Rice et al.

"No. 2 born July 25, 1896, proof of birth filed Aug. 29, 1904. The correct and full name of No. 2 is Jimmie Henry McGuire \_\_\_\_\_ an illegitimate child."

"No. 3 born March 30, 1898, proof of birth filed Aug. 29, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon duplicate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1800

Beckages, Indian Territory, February 16, 1907.

America Rice,

Beas, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 6, 1907, asking if you can have your four children enrolled.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the time within which applications could be received for the enrollment of minor children of citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, expired July 25, 1906, and there is no authority for the reception of original applications for enrollment.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-22* 1899.

Name *America Rice on roll as Mary Fulkright*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *1361*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children: *Chickasaw*

*3* *Jas Henry M. Smith* County Year Page No. *not on roll*  
*1* *Jessie Davis Rice* County Year Page No. *116*  
County Year Page No.  
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County Year Page No.

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America Rice, 19

June " 2

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Choctaw Fr. 1201

Peter Fullbright

Fr. 1201



W. F. FREDMAN

In the matter of the application of Peter Fullbright to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I/ T., April 24th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Peter Fullbright?

Q. How old are you? A. Twenty six.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Hannah Fullbright.

Q. Are you a sister of Ada Nunnally? A. yes sir.

Q. Do you live in Red River County? A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you lived in Texas? A. Awhile.

Q. How long since you came back from Texas? A. About seventeen years.

Q. You live in Texas now don't you? A. No sir in the Nation.

Q. Where were you born? A. I dis-remember, I guess in the Nation.

Q. How old were you when you first came from Texas? A. About six or seven years old I guess.

Q. Are you married? A. yes sir.

Q. Who did you marry, a state woman? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Peter pullbright, as <sup>Chickasaw</sup> ~~Chickasaw~~ Freedman)

Department of the Interior,

Commissioner of the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the original as the same appears in the files of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I/ T., April 24th, 1899.

W. A. Smiley.

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1054.

IN RE application of Peter Fullbright and others.

(See testimony of Webster Burton, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1055)

Peter Fullbright  
Sam Full bright  
Georgia Fullbright

enrolled.

No. 936

## Certificate of Record of Marriages.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT. } S.C.

I, E. J. FANNIN, Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that the License for and Certificate of the Marriage of

Mr.

Madison Nash

and

M

Emma Guilbault

was filed in my office in said Territory and District the 15 day of January A.D. 1901 and duly recorded in Book of Marriage Record, Page 18

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, at Cherokee this 15 day of January A.D. 1901

E. J. FANNIN,

Clerk.

By

W. E. F. Fannin

Deputy.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

JUL 16 1901

ACTING CHAIRMAN

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# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT. } SS.

To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

*You are hereby commanded to solemnize the Rite and publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between Mrs. Madison Nash of Shawmutam in the Indian Territory, aged 21 years, and Mr. Georgia Fulbright of Shawmutam in the Indian Territory, aged 18 years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this License to the parties therein named.*

WITNESS My hand and official seal, this 21 day of December A.D. 1899.

*Chas. D. Furman*

Deputy.

*E. J. Fanning*

Clerk of the United States Court.

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT. } SS.

I, *Thos. M. Green*,  
as ordained minister  
do hereby CERTIFY, that on the 27 day of December A.D. 1899.  
I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this 28 day of December A.D. 1899.

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory, Central District, Book B, Page 191.

*Thos. M. Green*  
ordained preacher

NOTICE: This License and Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory, from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Frank Nash

as a citizen of

Chickasaw

Nation.

Approved, JUL 16 1901

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Commissioner.DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
**FILED**

JUL 16 1901

  
ACTING CHAIRMAN

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Frank Nash, born on the 9th day of December, 1900  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Madison Nash, a citizen of the U S Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Georgia Nash, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office, Lawrence town I T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central

INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, Georgia Nash, on oath state that I am 16  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Madison Nash, who is a citizen, by

of the U S Nation, that a Male child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the 9th day of December, 1900 that said child has been  
 named Frank Nash, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of July, 1901.

Chas A. Deussen  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central

INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, Martha Ella Kumes, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Georgia Nash, wife of Madison Nash,  
 on the 9th day of December, 1900 that there was born to her on  
 said date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female)  
 named Frank Nash.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Matilda Russell  
Chas A. Deussen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 13th day of July, 1901.

Chas A. Deussen  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Murice Nash*

son citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation:

Approved

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Florence Nash, born on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1902  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: Madison Nash, a citizen of the U S Nation.  
Name of Mother: Georgia Nash, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-office, Shawnee town IT

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Central INDIAN TERRITORY.

District. }

I, Georgia Nash, on oath state that I am 18  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Madison Nash, who is a citizen, by  
— of the U S Nation, that a Female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 1902 that said child has been  
named Florence Nash, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)  
Witnesses }Georgia Nash

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1902.

Chas A Denison  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Central INDIAN TERRITORY.

District. }

I, Montie Ella Humes, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Georgia Nash, wife of Madison Nash,  
on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of February, 1902, that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named Florence Nash.  
(male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two)  
Witnesses }Montie Ella Humes

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1902.

Chas A Denison  
NOTARY PUBLIC

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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*IN RE*

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Estelle Fulbright*  
as a citizen of

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved, MAR 20 1902 190

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

MAR 20 1902

*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Estelle Fulbright*, born on the *10* day of *Sept*, 190*1*  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: *Peter Fulbright*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Mollie Fulbright*, a citizen of the *United States* Nation.  
Post-office: *Hiawnee*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central*

District.

I, *Mollie Fulbright*, on oath state that I am *28*  
years of age and a citizen, by of the *United States* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Peter Fulbright*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation, that a *female* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *10* day of *Sept*, 190*1* that said child has been  
named *Estelle Fulbright*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)

Witnesses

*Mollie Fulbright*  
*W. Long, Jr.*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *14* day of *Dec*, 190*1*.

*Claude Denon*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central*

District.

I, *Martha Humes*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Mollie Fulbright*, wife of *Peter Fulbright*,  
on the *10* day of *Sept*, 190*1* that there was born to her on  
said date a *female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named *Estelle Fulbright*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)

Witnesses

*Martha Humes*  
*W. Long, Jr.*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *14* day of *Dec*, 190*1*.

*Claude Denon*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

*Mr. Subbuck*  
AND

*Mrs. Mollie Hill*

Issued April 18<sup>th</sup> 1901

*Jno. G. Wright*  
County Clerk.

By *J. M. Smith* Deputy.

Recorded in Book *2* Page *56*  
Marriage Records.

*Jno. G. Wright*  
Clerk.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

MAR 20 1902

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

1482

MARRIAGE LICENSE.

Mr. *Thurmont*  
AND

Mrs. *Marie Nell*

Issued April 15<sup>th</sup> 1902

By *Jno. G. Wright*  
County Clerk.  
Deputy.

Recorded in Book of Page 66  
Marriage Records.

Clerk. *Jno. G. Wright*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
FILED  
MAR 22 1902

*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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**THE STATE OF TEXAS.**

County of Red River.

I, *J. M. Smith*,

County Clerk in and for Red River  
County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a *Marriage*  
*License* (*Peter Fulbright and Mollie Hill*) with the  
*Return thereon*.

as appears of record in my office in Vol. *J* on page *56* Record of *Marriages* of said  
county.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the *10<sup>th</sup>* day  
of *March* 190*2*

*J. M. Smith*

By

Deputy.

County Clerk Red River Co., Texas.

No. 112  
1482



To any Judge of the County or District Court, Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister  
of the Gospel, Jewish, Paltin or Justice, Peace in and for said County of Red River Greeting:

You are hereby Authorized to solemnize the  
**rites of MATRIMONY**

Between Mr. Peter Fullbright  
and Mrs. Nellie Hill  
and make due return to the Clerk of the County Court of said  
County within Sixty days thereafter certifying your action under  
this License.

WITNESS my official signature and seal of  
office at office in Clarksville this 15<sup>th</sup>  
day of April A.D. 1901

J. M. Smith

Deputy

J. M. Smith  
Clerk of County Court Red River County

I, H. I. Davis hereby certify that

on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of April A.D. 1901

United in Marriage Peter Fullbright  
and Mrs. Nellie Hill the parties above named

Witness my hand this day of April A.D. 1901

Holmes Simon Hansen

Will Smith

McMurtree, Indian Territory, Nov 20, 1901.

Mr. Charles A. DeLeon,

Notary Public,

Cherokee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of Nov. 15th inst., enclosing marriage license and certificate between Madison Nash and Georgia Fulbright, which you state will enable the Commission to identify Georgia Fulbright as a Choctaw citizen. Receipt is also acknowledged of an application for enrollment as a Choctaw freeman, of Frank Nash, the infant son of Madison and Georgia Nash, born December 9, 1900, and the same is returned to you for the reason that the mother of this child was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freeman, under the name of Georgia Fulbright.

You will therefore understand that the application must be made for the enrollment of this child as a Chickasaw freeman. There is enclosed you herewith a blank for the purpose of making a new application. Upon its return properly executed together with the original marriage license and certificate between Madison Nash and Georgia Fulbright, the matter of the application for the enrollment of this child as a Chickasaw freeman will receive further consideration.

The Federal Bureau of Investigation  
has received information from  
various sources that a large number of  
copies of certain documents have been  
distributed to various individuals  
and organizations in the United States  
and abroad. It is requested that you  
keep this matter under close watch  
and report any further information  
received.

Very truly,  
Yours,  
J. Edgar Hoover

cc: Mr. Tolson  
cc: Mr. Clegg  
cc: Mr. Glavin  
cc: Mr. Ladd  
cc: Mr. Nichols  
cc: Mr. Rosen  
cc: Mr. Tracy  
cc: Mr. Carson  
cc: Mr. Egan  
cc: Mr. Gurnea  
cc: Mr. Hendon  
cc: Mr. Pennington  
cc: Mr. Quinn  
cc: Mr. Nease  
cc: Mr. Gandy

B.C.  
Dec-- 188.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 16, 1901.

Mr. Madison Nash,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Frank Nash, the infant son of Madison and Georgia Nash, born December 9, 1900; also marriage license and certificate of Madison Nash and Georgia Fullbright of the 31st of December, 1899. The mother of this child having been identified as listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman and the application for the enrollment of Frank Nash being in proper form, the same has been accepted and filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

The marriage license and certificate forwarded by you will be retained with the records of the Commission as authority for the changing of your wife's name from her maiden name of Fullbright to her married name Nash.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 27, 1901.

Peter Fulbright,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the applications for the enrollment as freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation of Katey and Estelle Fulbright, the infant children of Peter and Mollie Fulbright, and the same are returned to you herewith for the reason that it is stated in the affidavits of the mother that she is a citizen of the United States and it is therefore necessary in the matter of the applications for the enrollment of these children that this office be supplied with either the original or certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between yourself and Mollie Fulbright.

Upon receipt of the evidence of marriage requested above and the return of the applications, the matter will be given further consideration.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 20, 1902.

Peter Fullbright,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Estelle Fullbright, the infant daughter of Peter and Mollie Fullbright, born September 10, 1901 and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Receipt is also acknowledged of a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between Peter Fullbright and Mollie Hill, dated April 20, 1899, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the ~~file~~ of the application for the enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of your infant child Estelle Fullbright.

Receipt is also acknowledged of an application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Katey Fullbright, the infant daughter of Peter and Mollie Fullbright, born September 1, 1898.

A comparison of the dates given in the affidavit of the mother and the attending midwife relative to the birth of Katey Fullbright and the date of your marriage to her mother as shown in

the marriage license and certificate, indicates that Estey Hallbright was born prior to your marriage to the mother of the child. The mother being a non citizen, the child is not entitled to enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and the application for the same is returned to you herewith.

Yours truly,

Kno, W. 138.

Commissioner in Charge.

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Washago, Indian Territory, May 6, 1902.

Madison Nash,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Florence Nash infant daughter of Madison and Georgia Nash, born March 21, 1902, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 31, 1904.

Peter Fullbright,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and your two minor children, Katesey and Estelle Fullbright.

You are informed it appears from our records that Peter Fullbright and his minor daughter, Estelle Fullbright, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

You are further informed it appears from our records that on March 20, 1902, an application for the enrollment of Katesey Fullbright, born September 1, 1898, together with a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between Peter Fullbright and Mollie Hill, mother of said child were received at this office and the application for the enrollment of said child was returned to you at Shawneetown, Indian Territory, for the reason that the date given in the affidavit of the mother and the attending mid-wife relative to the birth of Katesey Fullbright, and the date of your marriage as shown in the marriage license and certificate indicated that said child was born prior to your marriage to the mother.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-24 1899.

Name Peter Fullington  
 Choctaw? Red River County Year No. 1335  
 Chickasaw? 10 County Year Page   
 Citizen by blood? Chickasaw Mother's citizenship residing in Choctaw  
 Intermarried citizen? Station  
 Married under what law?   
 License filed this day   
 Wife's name,   
 Choctaw?  County  Year   
 Chickasaw?  County  Year  Page   
 Citizen by blood?  Mother's citizenship   
 Intermarried citizen?   
 Married under what law?   
 License filed this day

## Names of children:

| County | Year | Page | No. |
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Peter Hulbriehl 22  
Sow " 16  
Georgia " 14

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Choctaw Fr. 1202

Oliver Colbert

Fr. 1202

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Oliver Colbert, to the  
Five  
Commission to the Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, April 19th, 1899,  
for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn and  
examined by Commissioner Needles, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Oliver Colbert.

Q. Were you a slave before the war? A. <sup>No</sup> Yes sir.

Q. Do you live here? A. Yes sir.

Q. Where were you born? A. In Kiamitia County.

Q. How old are you? A. 39 years of age.

Q. You say you never was a slave. A. No sir, I never was.

Q. Was your mother a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your father? A. Zack Colbert.

Q. Did your mother belong to Zack? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you been married? A. Seventeen years.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir, got one.

Q. What is its name? A. Robert Colbert.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Caledonia Colbert.

Q. Was she a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. She was a Chickasaw.  
She went with her master.

Q. Have you been living in the Choctaw Nation here always?  
A. Yes sir.

Q. How long did you live in Texas? A. None at all, only  
traveling through there, and stayed there one month.

Q. Never lived in Arkansas? A. No sir.

Applicant: How about my mother:

Q. Where is she living now? A. She is living in Paris now.

Q. What is her name? A. Caledonia Bedford.

Q. Where did she live when she lived in the Nation? A. In  
Kiamitia County.

Q. Was she sold? A. Yes sir.

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Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Oliver Colbert.

Q. Was this woman Caledonia Colbert sold before the war? A. Yes sir, just before the war ceased.

Q. Has she been living in Texas all the time? A. Yes sir  
(Enrollment of his mother, Caledonia Colbert refused)

(Robert and Oliver Colbert Enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*M. Smiley*

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 10562

IN RE application of Oliver Colbert and others .

Sworn by Commissioner McKennon,

Sallie Burton says:

I belonged to Zack Colbert.

I have brothers:

~~Oliver~~ Colbert, 40. His wife Balla is a U.S. citizen.

He was married to her by Rev. Webster Cole . He has one child:

Robert, 8.

Simon Thompson, 30. His mother belonged to the same man. His

wife Ida is a U.S. citizen. He was married to her by Rev.

Charley Stewart a methodist preacher. She has one child:

Robert, 7.

Oliver Colbert  
Robert Colbert

enrolled.

*Fredman*

MEMORANDA

(Date) *4-19* 1899.

Name *Chinner Colberry*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *928*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Fredman*

Intermarried citizen? *Residing in Choctaw*

Married under what law? *Nation*

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Robert Colberry* County Year Page No. *942*

County Year Page No.

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County Year Page No.

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Oliver Colbert 40

Robert 8

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Choctaw Fr 1203

Ben Nail

Fr 1203

*Chickasaw Freedman Case 1111*

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Ardmore, Indian Territory, November 25th, A. D., 1898.

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Freedman case.

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LOUIS NAIL, being duly sworn by Commissioner A. S. McKennon, on his oath, states:

I am twenty-two years old and unmarried; I am the son of Ben Nail and my mother's name was Mary Nonnubby. She was the slave of and freed under Jane Nonnubby, a Chickasaw woman.

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1067.

IN RE application of Ben Nail and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKennon,

Ben Nail says:

I am 55; I belonged to Gather in the Palsom. My

first wife Mary belonged to Warrubby. By her I had 5 children:

Sam Nail, 24.

Sallie, 22, wife of Reuben Brown a Choctaw. She has 3 children:

Grace, 9; Ophelia, 7; and I do not remember the name of the other one.

Lewis, 20; Jack, 18; Ben, 16; and Sonny, 14.

Ben Nail  
Sam Nail  
Lewis Nail  
Jack Nail  
Ben Nail  
Sonny Nail

enrolled.

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CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

Where These Presents May Come, Greeting: This is to certify that on the 22 day of Nov. 1900, I, J. W. Stull, a regularly ordained Minister of the Gospel, did solemnize the rites of matrimony between Jerry Hall and Ellen Robbins, both of Blue County, Chester Nation, the said Jerry Hall being a Chester Freeman, and having presented the proper credentials.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand this the 22 day of Nov. 1900.

J. W. Stull  
Minister of the Gospel.

Chester Nation.  
Blue County.

I, F. E. Folsom hereby certify that the above certificate of Marriage was placed on record in my office on the 24 day of Nov. 1900 on page 200.

F. E. Folsom  
County & Probate Clerk B. C. C.N.



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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Carric Hall*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw Freedmen*  
*(Chickasaw Nation)* Nation.

Approved

NOV 26 1902

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*(Signature)*  
Commissioner.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation,  
 of Carrie Nail, born on the 12 day of May, 1901  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Jerry Nail a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Eliza Nail a citizen of the United States Nation.  
 Post-office Caddo, Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Caddo District.

I, Eliza Nail, on oath state that I am 19  
 years of age and a citizen, by United States Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Jerry Nail who is a Cherokee  
freedman of the Cherokee Nation; that a female child was  
 (male or female.)  
 born to me on 12th day of May, 1901, that said child has been  
 named Carrie Nail, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:  
 (Must be Two Witnesses)

D. W. Seavey  
B. F. Maxwell

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, 1901

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Caddo District.

I, Carrie Robins, Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Eliza Nail, wife of Jerry Nail  
 on the 12 day of May, 1901, that there was born to her on  
 said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female.)  
 named Carrie Nail.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7 day of November, 1901

NOTARY PUBLIC

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 14, 1904.

Louis Nail,

Cadde, Indian Territory

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th inst., giving information relative to your application for enrollment, and requesting to be informed regarding same.

You are advised it appears from our records that Lewis Nail, now about 24 years of age, of Cadde, Indian Territory, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman, and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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| Ben Nail, | 55 |
| Sam Nail  | 24 |
| Lewis "   | 20 |
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| Ben "     | 16 |
| Benny "   | 14 |
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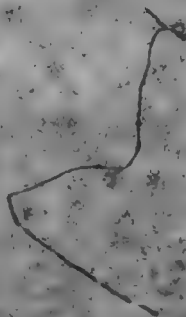

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*John F. Johnson*  
*Long Trail*

Choctaw Fr. 1204

Lacey Barrows

Fr. 1204



Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1083.

IN RE application of Chester Barrows and others.

sworn by Commissioner McKennon,

Dennis Barrows says:

I am a U.S. citizen. My wife Jane deceased,  
is daughter of Matilda Catchlo who belonged to Robert Boyd. My  
children are: Chester, 18; Lacey, 15; Joseph, 13; Edward, 12; William, 10;  
Daisy, 8; and Annie, 6.

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Chester Barrows  
Lacey Barrows  
Joseph Barrows  
Edward Barrows  
William Barrows  
Daisy Barrows  
Annie Barrows

enrolled.



State of Indiana Territory } ss  
 Central District }

I, R. H. Cahill on oath state that  
 I am 22 years old, and the lawful  
 husband of Mrs Lacy Cahill.  
 That in relation to the matter of  
 the enrollment of said Ella Cahill  
 infant child of R H & Lacy Cahill  
 That the said Lacy Cahill maiden  
 name was Barrows. That she was  
 enrolled in month of October 1898  
 at Colbert Station, I. T. as Lacy  
 Barrows. With her Brothers Chester,  
 Joe & Edward Barrows by their  
 Father Dennis Barrows was in  
 a non citizen.

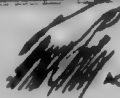
This July 5 - 1902

R. H. Cahill

Subscribed and sworn to  
 before me this 5 day of July  
 A.D. 1902

Frank P. Demman  
 Notary Public

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
**FILED**  
JUL 12 1902

 ACTING CHAIRMAN.

NO. 966.

Form No. 593.

## MARRIAGE LICENSE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )  
 THE INDIAN TERRITORY, ) ss:  
 CENTRAL DISTRICT. )

To any person authorized by law to solemnize marriage—  
 GREETING:

You are hereby commanded to solemnize the rite and  
 publish the banns of matrimony between Mr. Henderson Cahill of  
 Brazil in the Indian Territory, aged 22 years, and Miss Lacie  
 Barrows, of Tuskahoma in the Indian Territory, aged 19 years,  
 according to law, and do you officially sign and return this  
 license to the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this 16<sup>th</sup> day of Novem-  
 ber, A.D. 1900.

By T.T. Varner, Deputy.

(Signed) E.J. Fannin,

(SEAL)

Clerk of the United States Court.

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

United States of America, )  
 The Indian Territory, ) ss: I, T.T. Varner, a U.S.  
 Central District. )

Deputy Clerk, do hereby CERTIFY

that on the 16 day of November, A.D. 1900, I did duly and according  
 to law, as commanded in the foregoing license, solemnize the rite  
 and publish the banns of matrimony between the parties therein named.

WITNESS my hand this 16 day of November, A.D. 1900.

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of

the United States Court in the Indian Territory, Central District,  
Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_.

(Signed) T.T. Varner,

10¢ Revenue Stamp.

a U.S. Deputy Clerk.

NOTE—This license and certificate of marriage must be returned to the office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory, from whence it was issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the license was issued will be liable in the amount of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

Endorsed:

NO. 962.

(This number does not agree with 968 on face of original document. B.I.)

CERTIFICATE OF RECORD OF MARRIAGES.

United States of America, )  
The Indian Territory, ) SCT:  
Central District. )

I, E.J. Fannin, Clerk of the United States Court in the Indian Territory, and District aforesaid, do hereby CERTIFY that the license for and certificate of the marriage of Mr. Henderson Cahill and Miss Lacie Barrows was filed in my office in said Territory and District the 16 day of November, A.D. 1900 and duly recorded in Book 1 of Marriage Record, Page 481.

WITNESS my hand and seal of said Court, at Poteau, this 16 day of November, A.D. 1900.

By T.T. Varner, Deputy. (Signed) E.J. Fannin, Clerk.

(SEAL) 10¢ Revenue Stamp.

Also endorsed: Chickasaw freedmen, 1083.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

F I L E D

JUL 12 1902

Tams Bixby, Acting Chairman.

Beryl Ingram, as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, upon her oath states that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct copy of the original marriage license and certificate between Henderson Cahill and Lacie Barrows, as offered for filing with the records of said Commission.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10th day of February, 1903.

*Charles H. Langford* Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

Daisy Barrow

as a citizen of the

Chickasaw Nation.

Approved DEC 4 1903 190

  
Commissioner.

proof of birth of child for whose  
enrollment application was  
made 10/13/98

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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CHAIRMAN.

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# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw <sup>PROCTAW FREEDMEN</sup> Nation,  
 of Daisy Barrow, born on the 11 day of April, 1891  
(here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Dennis Barrow, a citizen of the U. S. Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Jane Barrow ~~Barrow~~ citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-Office: Tuskahoma, A. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
 District. }

Mr. Watson Brown <sup>He</sup> knows  
Jane Barrow, who was Adoption, of the Choctaw <sup>PROCTAW FREEDMEN</sup> Nation;  
 that she <sup>he</sup> is the lawful wife of Dennis Barrow, who is a citizen, of  
U. S., of the U. S. Nation, that a female <sup>(Male or female.)</sup> child was  
 born to her on the 11th day of April, 1891; that said child has been  
 named Daisy Barrow, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Myrtle Hudson <sup>Mark</sup>  
Edmond Kendrick <sup>Mark</sup>

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30th day of November, 1907.

My Commission Expires Feb. 24, 1906.

Peter H. Hudson

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
 District. }

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, wife of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_; that there was born to her on said  
 date a \_\_\_\_\_ child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named \_\_\_\_\_  
(Male or female.)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_.

Notary Public.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Amie Barrow*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation.

Approved DEC 4 1903

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child for  
whose enrollment application  
was made 10/13/98*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEC 4 1903

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw <sup>TAW FREEDMEN</sup> Nation,  
 of Annis Barrow <sub>(Here insert name of child)</sub>, born on the 15 day of January, 1892  
 Name of Father: Dennis Barrow, a citizen of the U. S. Nation  
 Name of Mother: Jane Barrow, deceased a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Puckettville S. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

Mr. Watson Brown Jane Brown on oath state that he knewed  
Jane Barrow who was adoption of the Chickasaw <sup>TAW FREEDMEN</sup> Nation;  
she was the lawful wife of Dennis Barrow who is a citizen, by  
of the U. S. not the Native; that a female <sub>(Male or female)</sub> child was  
 born to her on 15 day of January, 1892; that said child has been named  
Annis Barrow, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Watson X Brown  
Myrtle Hudson Jane mark  
Edmond Hendrick mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of November, 1902.

My Commission Expires Feb. 24, 1906.

Peter H. Hudson

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, wife of \_\_\_\_\_  
 on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1902; that there was born to her on said  
 date a \_\_\_\_\_ child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1902.

day of \_\_\_\_\_

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NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Chester Barrows*  
a citizen of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved DEC 12 1902 1902

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN

#1083,

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Chester Barrows  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Tushkahomma, Ind. Ter., and died on the 20th day of  
February, 1901  
(Here insert name of post office)

## AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Dennis Barrows, on oath state that I am 47  
years of age and a citizen, by Tushkahomma of the United States Nation;  
that my post office address is Tushkahomma, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
the father of Chester Barrows,  
(State relationship) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Chester Barrows died on the 20 day of  
February, 1901 Dennis Barrows  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO MAKE.

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December 1902  
H. E. Kisteen  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Watson Brown, on oath state that I am 80  
years of age, and a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Tushkahomma, Ind. Ter.;  
that I was personally acquainted with Chester Barrows,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Chester Barrows died on the 20 day of  
February, 1901 Watson Brown  
(Here insert name of deceased.)

WITNESSES TO MAKE.

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 8th day of December 1902  
H. E. Kisteen  
Notary Public.

CHICKASAW FREEMEN  
No. 132

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Lon Ella Cahell*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

National

Approved, JUL 12 1902 190

Commissioner.

ACTING COMMISSIONER

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CHICKASAW FREEMEN.

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Commissioner

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Nation.

as a citizen of

INFANT (CHILD)

Application for Enrollment of

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CHICKASAW FREEMEN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Lucie Ella Cahill, born on the 6 day of November, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: R H Cahill, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Lucie Cahill, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Brazil Ind. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Lucie Cahill, on oath state that I am 18  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of R H Cahill, who is a citizen, by  
of the Chickasaw Nation, that a Female child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 6 day of Nov, 1901; that said child has been  
named Lucie Ella, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of June, 1902.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Clara Cahill, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Lucie Cahill, wife of R H Cahill,  
on the 6 day of November, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Lucie Ella.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

John Chouteau  
H A Knight

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of June, 1902.

My commission expires Mar. 9, 1904

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Chick. Freed. 1058

Brokenbow, Indian Territory, July 18, 1902.

R. H. Cahill,

Gravill, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavit of R. H. Cahill, and the marriage license and certificate between Henderson Cahill and Miss Lucie Burrows, and the same have been duly filed with the records of this office.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Lue Ella Cahill, the infant daughter of R. H. and Lucie Cahill, born November 6, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

19-1083.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 10, 1903.

R.H. Cahill.

Brasil, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 28, 1903, requesting the return of the marriage license and certificate of Henderson Cahill and Lacey Barrowe.

A certified copy of the same having been prepared and filed with our records in the matter of the application for enrollment of Lacey Cahill and her minor child, Luc Ella Cahill, as Chickasaw freedmen; the original is returned to you herewith.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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17-1904.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, November 27, 1903.

Dennis Barrows,

Tuskahoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Daisy and Annie Barrows, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, you should immediately furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said children. For that purpose there are enclosed you herewith two blank affidavits.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. The mother of these children being dead, you are requested to furnish in lieu of her affidavit the affidavits of two disinterested persons who know of the birth of said children and that they are still living. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your prompt attention.

Respectfully,

S B.C.  
Env.

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 4, 1903.

Dennis Barrows,  
Tushkahoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Watson and Jane Brown relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Daisy Barrows, April 11, 1891; also the affidavits of the same parties relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Annie Barrows, January 15, 1892; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named children.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1204

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 4, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notations have been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card, No. 1204:

"No. 5 born April 11, 1891; proof of birth  
filed Dec. 4, 1903"

"No. 6 born Jan'y. 15, 1892; proof of birth  
filed Dec. 4, 1903"

You are, therefore, requested to make like notations upon the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-1204

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 19, 1904.

D. Barrows,

Kiamichi, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 16, 1904, describing certain lands on which you have improvements, and state that one, Charlie A. Welch, has dispossessed your renter by writ of possession, issued by the United States Court at Antlers, Indian Territory, on January 6, 1904.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it does not appear from our records that you are an applicant to this Commission for enrollment as either a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

You are therefore requested to state in whose behalf you are holding the land described by you.

Upon receipt of information as to the names of the persons in whose behalf you are holding the land referred to in your letter, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedmen  
1804.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 21, 1904.

D. Barrows,

Tuskahoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 17, in which you ask if the enrollment of your two minor children, Daisy and Anna Barrows has been approved. You also ask the status of the enrollment of Mack McGlish, a neighbor of yours, who claims to be enrolled as a Chickasaw Freedman.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that the names of your children, Daisy and Annie Barrows, are being placed upon the schedule of Choctaw Freedmen which is being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. It is suggested that you communicate with the Commission again in about sixty days, when you will be notified whether or not their enrollment has been approved.

You are further advised that, from the information contained in your letter, the Commission is unable to identify Mack McGlish as an applicant for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman under this name. If he has made application for enrollment, and you will state when, where, and under what name same was made, his age, the names of his parents and other members of his family by whom application was made at the same time, and any other information which will en-

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able the Commission to identify him upon its records, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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|-----------------|----|
| Chester Barnard | 15 |
| Larry           | 15 |
| Joseph          | 13 |
| Edmond          | 12 |
| William         | 10 |
| Daisy           | 8  |
| Annie           | 6  |

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Choctaw Fr. 1205

Watson Brown

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 20843

IN RE application of Watson Brown and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKennon,

Watson <sup>b</sup>rown says:

I am 70. I belonged to Katie Brown. My wife  
Jane is a U.S. citizen. I was married to her by Rev. Aaron Ge-  
lord a Methodist Minister. I have four children  
John, 21; Aaron, 19; George, 17; Aggie, 15.

Watson Brown  
John Brown  
Aaron Brown  
George Brown  
Aggie Brown  
Green Brown

enrolled.



17-1305

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 6, 1905.

Aaron Brown,

Wilburton, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and the affidavit of A. A. Briggs to the death of Angie Brown, a Choctaw freedman which submitted October 21, 1904, and the same have been filed with our records as evidence of the death of the above named person.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

19-1206

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 8, 1907.

John Brown,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 30, 1907, giving information relative to the identity of Cornelia Brown and requesting the return of your marriage license and certificate.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein is not sufficient to enable this office to identify Cornelia Brown as an applicant for enrollment in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

If you will state for what purpose this information as to Cornelia Brown was forwarded, also for what purpose your marriage license and certificate was forwarded this office, the names of the contracting parties therein, and the Number of the case in which the name of Cornelia Brown appears, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

Waters Brown, 70

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|--------|----|
| John   | 21 |
| Arion  | 19 |
| George | 15 |
| Aggie  | 13 |
| Green  | 11 |

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Choctaw Fr. 1206

Siney Miller

Fr. 1206

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1088:

IN RE application of Siny Miller and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKenna,

Siny Miller says:

I am 55/ I belonged to Louisa Perry, now Harris. My husband is dead.

I have one married daughter: Lucinda, 26, wife of Isaac LeFlore a Choctaw.

My deceased daughter, Ellen James left Children: Louisa, 24-  
wards, 22; Joshua James, 18; Carrie Brashears, 15; and Nellie  
Brashears, 9.

Siny Miller  
Lucinda LeFlore  
Louisa Edwards  
Joshua James  
Carrie Brashears  
Nellie Brashears

enrolled.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Joshua James*  
a citizen of the  
*Chickasaw Freedmen* Nation

Approved *DEC 4 1902* 190

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN #1085



## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of

Joshua James  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
 a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Groveland, Ind. Ter., and died on the 26 day of  
December, 1900.  
(Here insert name of post office.)

## AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Curtis District.

I, Simey Miller, on oath state that I am 68  
 years of age and a citizen, by birth, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that my post office address is Hugo, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
(Here insert name of post office.)  
Grand mother of Joshua James,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
 who was a citizen, by birth, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 and that said Joshua James died on the 26 day of  
Dec., 1900.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Am. Wilson  
Am. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Dec., 1900.H. R. Histen

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Curtis District.

I, Charles Alexander, on oath state that I am 37  
 years of age, and a citizen, by birth, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that my post office address is Hugo, Ind. Ter.;  
(Here insert name of post office.)  
 that I was personally acquainted with Joshua James,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
 who was a citizen, by birth, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 and that said Joshua James died on the 26 day of  
Dec., 1900.

WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Am. Wilson  
Am. Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Dec., 1900.H. R. Histen

Notary Public.

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IN RE  
THE DEATH OF

*Nellie Brashers*

a citizen of the

*Chickasaw Freedmen* Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN #1085

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the death of Willis Brashman  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation, who formerly resided at or near  
Goodland, Ind. Ter., and died on the 27 day of  
August, 1902  
(Here insert name of postoffice.)

AFFIDAVIT OF RELATIVE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Henry Miller, on oath state that I am 38  
years of age and a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Hugo, Ind. Ter.; that I am  
Grandmother of Willis Brashman,  
(State relationship as: the father; an uncle; a cousin, etc.) (Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Willis Brashman died on the 27 day of  
Aug., 1902

WITNESSES TO SIGN:  
Ammon  
Wm C Brown  
(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Aug, 1902  
H. E. Risten  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ACQUAINTANCE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Charles Alexander, on oath state that I am 38  
years of age, and a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that my post office address is Hugo, Ind. Ter.;  
that I was personally acquainted with Willis Brashman,  
(Here insert name of deceased.)  
who was a citizen, by freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
and that said Willis Brashman died on the 27 day of  
Aug, 1902

WITNESSES TO SIGN:  
Ammon  
Wm C Brown  
(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2 day of Aug, 1902  
H. E. Risten  
Notary Public.

Henry Miller 5574

Linda Leone 36

Louisa Edwards 22

Joshua James 18

Corrie Brashears 15-

Nellie " 9

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 11, 1902.

Peter Hartshorn,

Caddo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 1st inst., enclosing the affidavits of Willie Washubbi and Nolan Hynson relative to the death of Rhoda Washubbi, a citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation, which occurred May 31, 1902; also the affidavits of Willie Washubbi and Daniel Wilson relative to the death of Mollie Roberts, a citizen by blood of the Chickasaw Nation, which occurred March 10, 1902; and the affidavits of Alex Miller and Charlie Alexander relative to the death of Sina Miller, a citizen by adoption of the Chickasaw Nation, which occurred in 1901; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Chickasaw Freedmen  
1085, 1091

Maskogee, Indian Territory, January 3, 1903.

Jimmie Shields,

Barren, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 21, stating that you registered at Goodland with your aunt, Siny Miller, and in reply you are advised that it appears from our records that Siny Miller was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman on October 12, 1898, but it does not appear that Jimmie Shields is listed for enrollment with her as a Chickasaw Freedman.

You are requested to state the names of your parents, your age, your residence at the time you made application, and any other information you may possess which would enable the Commission to identify you upon its records.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.



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7-5559

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 17, 1903.

Alexander Miller,

Care W.O. Surbaugh,

Muske, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

On July 21, 1902, you and Charles Alexander made affidavits as to the death of Sinie Miller, in which you stated that Sinie Miller was a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation.

It appears from our records that there are two persons by the name of Sinie Miller, residing at or near Goodland, Indian Territory, who have been listed for enrollment by this Commission as citizens of the Chickasaw Nation, one as a citizen by blood and the other as a citizen by adoption.

You are therefore requested to state the age of the Sinie Miller referred to in your affidavit, and whether she was a citizen by blood or a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation, returning your reply and this letter in the enclosed envelope at your earliest convenience.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

Env.

7-5539  
19-1095

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 9, 1903.

W.O. Surbaugh,

Hugo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 23, 1903, in reply to our communication addressed to Alexander Miller, Hugo, Indian Territory, February 19, 1903, requesting information relative to Sinie Miller, concerning whose death an affidavit was executed by him July 21, 1902.

It is stated in your letter that the Siney Miller referred to in the affidavit of Alexander Miller was a full blood Chickasaw Indian and the wife of Daniel Miller, deceased.

You also request to be advised what disposition has been made of the application for enrollment of Vivian Phillips, infant child of Rossey Phillips, recently forwarded to this office by you. You are advised that this matter was made the subject of a letter addressed to you the 7th inst.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Fr. 1207

Nay Everidge

Fr. 1207

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**ENROLLMENT**  
**CHOCTAW FREEDMAN**

May Everidge, et, al.

No. 1 GRANTED As Chickasaw Freedman  
Feb 20 1907.

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No.3 Transferred to Chickasaw Freedman  
# 1519.

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ACCORD TO REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING:

LAND  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,  
WASHINGTON.

February 28, 1907.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

There is forwarded herewith report of Commissioner Bixby, dated June 16, 1906, relative to a petition filed March 5, 1906, praying for the transfer of the names of May Everidge, Lillie Everidge and Manuel Everidge, from the roll of Choctaw freedmen to the roll of citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, with the order of the Commissioner of June 16, 1906, denying the petition.

The Office has examined the record in this case and finds the conclusions of the Commissioner to be correct, and his decision is therefore recommended for approval.

Very respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee,

Acting Commissioner.

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Choctaw Fr. 1208

Louisa Roabuck

Fr. 1208

1908

# ENROLLMENT

(109)

Department of the Interior

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes

## ENROLLMENT

In the Matter of the ..... of the Lands  
of the Choctaws and Chickasaws

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General Office

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~~.....~~ *Louisa Roebuck, et al.*

Choctaw Freedmen Roll

No. **1208** ---

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Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1087.

IN RE application of Louisa Roebuck and others.

Sworn by Commissioner McKennon,

Louisa Roebuck says:

I am 45. I belonged to young Jim  
Colbert a Chickasaw.

My husband Dick Roebuck is Choctaw. I have children:  
Mattie, 19; James and Garnett, 16; Samuel, 12; Rosa, 10.

Colbert, Oct. 23, 1863.

Louisa Roebuck  
Mattie Roebuck  
James Roebuck  
Garnett Roebuck  
Samuel Roebuck  
Rosa Roebuck

enrolled.

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17-1808

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 28, 1903.

Richard Colbert,  
Grant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 21st inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Richard Roebuck and family as Choctaw freedmen, stating that Richard Roebuck is dead and that you have been appointed administrator of his estate.

You are informed it appears from our records that Richard Roebuck, now about 61 years of age of Okmulgee, Indian Territory, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior April 8, 1903.

You are further advised that his wife, Louisa, and his children, Mattie, James, Garrett, Samuel and Rosa Roebuck have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.





Choctaw Fr. 1209

Jordan Folsom

Fr. 1209



**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Jordan Folsom, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner T. B. Needles, he testifies as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Jordan Folsom.

Q. Where were you born? A. At Doaksville, I.T.

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Henry Folsom.

Q. You have been living here ever since you were turned loose?

A. Yes sir.

Q. In the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. Was your master a Choctaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. How old are you? A. About 58 or 59.

Q. Have you a family? A. Yes sir.

Q. Your family not here? A. No sir, my wife is not here, I have one son here.

Q. Is your son of age? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you belong to Henry Folsom or his wife? A. To her, but I was freed under him, she died some years before the war ended.

Q. What was your wife's name? A. Amelia.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was she Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.

(Jordan Folsom enrolled as Chickasaw, and Amelia Folsom enrolled as Choctaw.)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to the said Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*McAmilly*

Choctaw Freedmen  
1209

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 20, 1904.

Jordan Folsom,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 16 asking when you will be allowed to file on your land and what steps to take to hold the same until you can go the land office and file on it.

In reply to your letter you are advised that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been forwarded to the secretary of the interior, but the Commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon. Pending the approval of your enrollment by the secretary of the Interior you would not be permitted to make selection of allotment. However, if you will forward a description of the land on which you have valuable improvements and which you desire to select in allotment, proper notation thereof will be made upon our records and you will be notified in the event any other person makes application for the same land and will be permitted to institute contest therefor.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(10) 4/-18- 1899.

Name *Jordan Folsom* - 115- 1295-  
Choctaw? County Year No. 1295-  
Chickasaw? *yes* County Year 1896 Page  
Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name, *Amelia Folsom* - 163-

Choctaw? *yes* County Year 1896 No. 1296

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Choctaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*no children* County Year Page No.  
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Choctaw Fr. 1210

North Hill

Fr. 1210

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of North Hill, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner T. B. Needles, he testifies as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. North Hill.

Q. How old are you? A. 82

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Sampson Poleson?

Q. What was he, Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw

Q. His wife was a Chickasaw wasn't she? A. Yes sir.

Q. RThen you are a Chickasaw Freedman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Didn't you belong to his wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name. A. Mary.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Zedek Harrison?

Q. I<sup>s</sup> she a Choctaw? A. Y<sup>e</sup>s sir.

Q. Was you here when the war closed? A. Y<sup>e</sup>s sir.

Q. Have you been living here every since? A. Yes sir. I have been here 52 years.

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to the above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. B. Smiley



Choctaw Fr. 1211

Mary Gross

Fr. 1211



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Mary Gross, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikoh, I. T., April 18th, 1890, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Mary Gross.

Q. How old are you. A. About 38.

Q. Who did you belong to? A. Harriet Polson.

Q. Was she a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Chickasaw.

Q. Have you always lived in the territory here? A. Yes sir.

Q. You are married are you? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. You have never lived out of the territory? A. No sir.

Q. What are your children's named? A. Ida Gross.

Q. Is Ida living with you. A. Yes sir

Q. Any body around here know you? A. Yes sir, several.

Albert Bird, being duly sworn, testifies as follows in behalf of Mary Gross.

Q. Do you know Mary Gross here? A. Yes sir.

Q/ Do you know her children? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is her youngest child's name? A. Ida.

Q. Is she living with her? A. I guess so.

Examination of Mary Gross continued.

Q. Any other children living with you? A. Yes sir, Cornelie and Willie, they are my grand children.

Albert Bird, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Mary Gross.

Q. Do you live in Towson County? A. No sir, in Cedar County.

Q. Do you know this grand child Willie? A. Yes sir he is her

Q. Do you know Lucinda Stewart, living in Towson County?  
A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know whether she has a child named Willie or not?  
A. No sir, I don't know.

Mary Gross 2

Q. Would she have a right young child? A. I think not.

Q. How old is her youngest child do you suppose? A. I do not know, 17 or 18 I expect.

(Mary gross, Ida gross, Cornelia gross and Willie Stewart, enrolled as Chickasaw freedmen)

## Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

Doaksville,

Ind. Terr.

Sept. 28, 1902.

To all who this may concern:

This is to certify that  
I, Rev. Alfred Gross did solemnize the  
marriage between Mr. John Brown and  
Miss Cornelia Seal on the 28<sup>th</sup> of Sept. 1902.  
Given by my hand,  
this day of our Lord, A. D.

Witness

Isiah Jackson.

Lee Williams.

~~Alfred Gross~~

Subscribed and Sworn to Before me  
this 8<sup>th</sup> Day of Dec A.D. 1902

Thomas Fennell  
Notary Public

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING CHAIRMAN.

19-1130.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 10, 1903.

Thomas Pennell,

Doakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It appears from our records that on December 30, 1902, Wilburn Hampton, Hugo, Indian Territory, forwarded to this office the certificate of marriage between John Brown and Cornelia Neals; and the same was returned to him for the reason that the Commission could not identify either John Brown or Cornelia Neals as being duly listed for enrollment as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen.

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 31st ultimo, stating that Cornelia Neals was enrolled at Alikohi, Indian Territory, in 1899, as a Chickasaw freedman, with Mary Cross and family.

You are advised that the information contained in your letter has enabled the Commission to identify Cornelia Neals as being duly listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman under the name of Cornelia Cross; and the certificate of marriage has been duly filed with the record in the matter of the application for her enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1211

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 3, 1903.

Mary Cross,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 24, relative to the difference in the name of your daughter, Cornelia Neal, stating that you spell it Corneller.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that the name of your grand-daughter, Curnelia Brown, the wife of John Brown, and daughter of Phil Boston and Phillis Showels, is being placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. It is believed that this is the person referred to in your letter as Corneller Neal. Her enrollment has not, however, as yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Chester Freedmen  
1811-1813-1824-  
1828-1851.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Doakville, Indian Territory

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Pink Thompson, Mary Gross, Iaham Jackson and Minerva Christian, and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mary Gross and her granddaughter, Cuthelia Brown; Iaham Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chester freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and their children, Emma Hampton, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and their grandson, Iyins Hampton; Minerva McChristian and her minor children, Roy Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner; Jack Thompson and his children, Josiah

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and Lucinda Thompson, are applicants to this Commission for naturalization as American citizens and their names have been placed upon a schedule of American freedom, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

17-1211  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 25th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your self and family, Minerva McChristian, Jack Thompson, Isaac Jackson and Mary Gross and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and his children, Emma Hampton, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and his grandson, Lyins Hampton,; Minerva McChristian and her children, Rosy Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner, and Jack Thompson and his minor children, Josiah and Lucinda Thompson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Amandy Thompson, wife of Jack Thompson, is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Isaac Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben,

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Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, and Mary Green  
and her grand-daughter, Cornelia Brown, have been duly enrolled by  
this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having  
been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Chectaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 27, 1904.

Mary Gross,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter without date asking if Ida Gross and Willie Stewart have been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of Ida Gross and Willie Stewart have not yet been placed upon the Schedules of Chectaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior for approval. It is suggested, however, that you communicate with the Commission again in about thirty or sixty days when you will be notified whether or not their enrollment has been approved.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Mustang, Indian Territory, June 22, 1904

Mary Green,

Fort Tresson, Indian Territory

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 24, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to the status of the application for enrollment of Ida Green and Willie Stewart.

You are advised that the names of Ida Green and Willie Stewart have been placed upon a schedule of Unsettled Freedmen, now being prepared to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

Respectfully,

Chairman



17-1211

Muskegee, Indian Territory, December 14, 1906.

Mary Gross,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 10, 1906, stating that Lillie B. Johnson died June 8, 1900, and asking if she is entitled to an allotment.

In reply you are advised that under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, no person who died prior to September 25, 1902, the date of the ratification of said act, is entitled to enrollment and allotment in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-18* 1899.

Name *Mary Gross*  
Choctaw? County *Townson* Year No. *1498*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                       |                    |        |      |      |                 |
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| <i>Gross Ida</i>      | <i>not on roll</i> | County | Year | Page | No.             |
| <i>" Camelia</i>      | <i>Grandchild</i>  | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1504</i> |
| <i>Stewart Willie</i> | <i>do</i>          | County | Year | Page | No. <i>3079</i> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1212

Philip Shoals

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ENROLLMENT

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

Philip Shoals, et, al.

No. 5 transferred from Chickasaw  
Freedman # D 117-10-25-04

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the applications for the enrollment as  
Choctaw freedmen .....of.....

William Shoals

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Gertrude Shoals.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*William Shodko*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation

Approved

By

Commissioner

CHOCTAW ENROLLMENT,

*Revised*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Millian Shoals, born on the 30 day of Feb., 1902  
(Here insert name of child)

Name of Father: Joe. Shoals, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

Name of Mother: Uma Shoals, a citizen of the U.S. Nation.

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## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

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District.

I, Uma Shoals,on oath state that I am 22years of age and a citizen, of U.S., of the

Nation;

that I am the lawful wife of

Joe. Shoals,

who is a citizen, by

Fredman, of the ChoctawNation; that a Male child was(Male or female)born to me on the 30 day of Feb.1902 that said child has been namedMillian Shoals,

and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)W. E. Shoals  
Addie ShoalsUma Shoals  
markSubscribed and sworn to before me this 5day of Sep.1902.A. B. Clark

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Centra

District.

I, Mariah Hardman midwife,

on oath state that I at-

tended on Mrs. Uma Shoals,wife of Joe. Shoalson the 30 day of Feb.1902; that there was born to her on saiddate a Male(MALE OR FEMALE)

child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named

Millian Shoals.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)W. E. Shoals  
Addie ShoalsMariah Hardman  
markSubscribed and sworn to before me this 5day of Sep.1902.A. B. Clark

NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE  
Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

as a citizen of

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Freedman Chickasaw Nation,  
William Shoals (Here insert name of child.) born on the 7 day of March, 1902  
 Name of Father: Joe Shoals a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Vina Shoals a citizen of the United States Nation.  
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## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Vina Shoals, on oath state that I am 22  
 years of age and a citizen by Freedman of the United States Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Joe Shoals, who is a citizen, by  
Freedman of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Male child was  
 (Male or Female.)  
 born to me on 7 day of March, 1902; that said child has been named  
William Shoals, and was living March 4, 1906.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Austin Baker  
Ellis Dorsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of December, 1906.

Emmett Harris  
 Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Patey Simpson, a Mid-Wife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Vina Shoals, who is a Freemason  
 on the 7 day of March, 1902; that there was born to her on said date a Male  
 (Male or Female.)  
 child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named William Shoals.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Austin Baker  
Ellis Dorsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of December, 1906.

Emmett Harris  
 Notary Public.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Terbude Shoals*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

CHOCTAW ENROLLMENT.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Kurtude Shoals, born on the 22 day of March, 1900  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Joe Shoals a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Vuna Shoals a citizen of the U.S. Nation.

For the James D. Lee

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Vuna Shoals, on oath state that I am 22 years of age and a citizen of U.S. of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Joe Shoals, who is a citizen, by Freeman, of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was (Male or female)  
 born to me on the 22 day of March, 1900; that said child has been named Kurtude Shoals, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Wesley Shoals  
Addie Shoals

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Sept., 1900.

J.B. Clark

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Mariah Hardman Mid wife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Vuna Shoals, wife of Joe Shoals, on the 22 day of March, 1900; that there was born to her on said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Kurtude Shoals.  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Wesley Shoals  
Addie Shoals

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Sept., 1900.

J.B. Clark

NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE  
Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

as a citizen of

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Freedman Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Gertrude Shoals (Here insert name of child), born on the 13 day of February, 1901  
 Name of Father: Joe Shoals a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Vina Shoals a citizen of the United States Nation.  
 Residence: Keokuk, Ia.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Vina Shoals, on oath state that I am 22  
 years of age and a citizen by Freedman of the United States Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Joe Shoals, who is a citizen, by  
Freedman, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 (Male or Female.)  
 born to me on 13 day of February, 1901; that said child has been named  
Gertrude Shoals, and was living March 4, 1906.

## WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Austin Baker  
Ellis Dorsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of December, 1906.

Emmett Harris  
 Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Patsy Simpson, a Mid-Wife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Vina Shoals, wife of Joe Shoals,  
 on the 13 day of February, 1901; that there was born to her on said date a Female  
 (Male or Female.)  
 child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named Gertrude Shoals.

## WITNESSES TO MAKE:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

Austin Baker  
Ellis Dorsey

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of December, 1906.

Emmett Harris  
 Notary Public.

17-NB-60.  
W.A.R.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the applications for the enrollment  
of William Shoals and Gertrude Shoals as Choctaw freedmen.

DECISION.

It appears from the record herein that applications were duly made to the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of William Shoals and Gertrude Shoals as Choctaw freedmen within the time limited by the provisions of Section 1. of the Act of Congress approved April 26, 1906, ( 34 Stats., 137).

It further appears from the record herein and from the records of this office, that William Shoals was born March 7, 1902 and Gertrude Shoals was born March 22, 1900, and were living on September 25, 1902 and are the children of Vina Shoals, a non-citizen, and Joe Shoals, whose name appears as Josiah Shoals, opposite No. 3932 upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior February 16, 1904.

I am of the opinion that William Shoals and Gertrude Shoals should be enrolled as Choctaw freedmen under the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898, (30 Stats., 495), and July 1, 1902, ( 32 Stats., 641) and it is so ordered.



Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 27, 1907.

Joe Sheals,

Keys, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 20, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of William Sheals and Gertrude Sheals as Choctaw freedmen.

You are further advised that the names of William Sheals and Gertrude Sheals granted in said decision have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval. You will be notified of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Jams Bixby*

Commissioner.

Registered.  
Incl. 17-NE-60.

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 27, 1907.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cernish,

Attorneys for the Choctaw & Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 20, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of William Shoals and Gertrude Shoals as Choctaw freedmen.

You are further advised that the names of William Shoals and Gertrude Shoals granted in said decision have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval. You will be notified of Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamm Bixby*

Commissioner.

Registered.  
Incl. 17-NE-60.

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Phillip Shoals to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T. April 16th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Phillip Shoals.  
Q. How old are you? A. About fifty.  
Q. Who did you belong to? A. Col. Jones.  
Q. Did you belong to him, or his wife? A. They always said I belonged to him.

Q. Did they raise you? A. Yes sir, I was born and bred right in the territory.

Q. You don't know whether your parents belonged to him or his Chickasaw wife? A. No sir.

There are none of your childrens names on the rolls Mr. Shoals.

A. I registered them all at the first time.

Q. You were a slave were you? A. Yes sir.

(Names found on the 1885 roll)

Q. Is your wife alive? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. You don't claim her to be a citizen? A. No sir.

Q. How many children have you. A. Three.

Q. Were you married to this woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you belong to Col. Jones (Choctaw) or to his wife, (Chickasaw)? A. I don't know any more that what they told me that I belonged to Col. Jones.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Phillip Shoals.

Q. What is your name? A. Lin Colbert.

Q. Do you know Mr. Shoals? A. Yes sir, and knew his father and mother.

Phillip Shoals #2.

Q. Whose slave was he? A. Robt. Jones, by a Chickasaw woman named Susan.

Q. Did they raise him or buy him? A. No sir, he was born under them, Robt. Jones' first wife was Susan, old Geo. Colbert's daughter.

Q. Did this boy belong to Susan? A. His fore-parents belonged to Susan.

Q. When Col. Jones married Susan she was a Chickasaw was she?  
A. Yes sir.

Examination of Phillip Shoals continued.

Q. Have you lived in Red River county always. A. Yes sir, ever since I was turned loose.

(Phillip Shoals and three children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. M. Wiley*



Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Sarvin, Ind. Terr., November 28, 1902.

Original  
Chickasaw  
Freedman.

In the matter of the original application of Henry Shoals  
for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation.

Henry Shoals, having been first duly sworn, upon his oath  
testifies as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

- Q What is your name? A Henry Shoals.  
Q How old are you? A I am about 24 years old.  
Q What is your post office address? A Janis, Indian Territory.  
Q How long have you lived in the Choctaw Nation? A All my life.  
Q Have you never made your home anywhere else? A No sir.  
Q Do you wish to make application for enrollment as a freedman of  
the Chickasaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your father? A Phil Shoals.  
Q Is he dead or living? A He is living.  
Q Is he a Chickasaw Freedman? A Yes sir.  
Q Duly enrolled as such? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your mother? A Mary Shoals.  
Q Is she a freedman? A No sir.  
Q Non citizen? A Yes sir.  
Q Is she living or dead? A She is living.  
Q Your father was a slave? A Yes sir.  
Q What was the name of his master? A Jones, I don't know his  
other name.  
Q Was this Jones an Indian or a white man? A I don't know whether  
he was Indian or a white man.  
Q Where did Jones live? A Down on the Jones farm on what was called  
the Bailey place on Walnut Bayou in Red River County.  
Q In the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q Where was your father at the time of the freeing of the slaves?  
A I guess he was down there.  
Q Has your father lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since he was  
freed? A Yes sir.  
Q Were you born in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q Have you lived here all your life? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the reason you have never applied to this Commission be-  
fore this time for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman? A When they  
went to Sulphur Springs for enrollment, I was over in Texas in the  
New Boston jail.  
Q How long were you over there? A About three months.  
Q Are you married? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your wife? A Eusey.  
Q Is she a freedman? A No sir.  
Q Have you any children? A No sir.  
Q How many brothers and sisters have you got? A Four brothers and  
two sisters.  
Q Give the names of your brothers? A Wesley Shoals, Josiah Shoals  
and Robert Shoals.  
Q Any more? A None more.  
Q What are the names of your sisters? A Viper Gies and Nettie  
Smith.

Harry Shales - 1-1-8

(The names of the applicant's father and three brothers are found upon the records of the Commission on Christmas Freedmen Card, Field No. 1125.)

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Harry E. Kintson being first duly sworn, upon his oath states: That as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes he reported in Hall all proceedings had in the above entitled cause on the 28th day of November, 1902, and that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes of said proceedings on said date.

*Harry Shales*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of December, 1902.

*Notary Public* 11-1-1900

*J. C. Brown*

Notary Public.

**IN RE**  
**Application for Enrollment of**  
**MINOR CHILD**

Act of Congress Approved  
April 20, 1906.

.....  
as a citizen of

..... Nation.  
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Approved..... 190...

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Commissioner.  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

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Commissioner.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 22, 1900.

IN AN APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Gertrude Shoals, born on the 13 day of February, 1901.  
 [Here insert name of child]  
 Name of Father: Josiah Shoals a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Vina Shoals a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Tribal enrollment of father: Choctaw Freedman Tribal enrollment of mother: Choctaw

Postoffice: Kings, S. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Vina Shoals, on oath state that I am 27  
 years of age and a citizen by U.S. of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Josiah Shoals, who is a citizen, by  
Freedman of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 [Male or Female]  
 born to me on 13 day of February, 1901; that said child has been named  
Gertrude Shoals and was living March 4, 1906.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Maggie G. Harris  
Carroll Cook

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Feb, 1906.

W. C. Harris  
 Notary Public

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Patsy Simpson, a Mid-Wife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Vina Shoals, wife of Josiah Shoals,  
 on the 13 day of February, 1901; that there was born to her on said date a Female  
 [Male or Female]  
 child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named Gertrude Shoals.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Maggie G. Harris  
Carroll Cook

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Feb, 1906.

W. C. Harris  
 Notary Public

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**IN RE**

**Application for Enrollment of**

**MINOR CHILD**

Act of Congress Approved

April 20, 1906.

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Approved..... 190...

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Commissioner.

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Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

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Commissioner.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 26, 1906.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of William Shoals, born on the 7 day of March, 1902.  
[Here insert name of child]  
Name of Father: Josiah Shoals a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Vina Shoals a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Tribal enrollment of father: Choctaw Freedman Tribal enrollment of mother: \_\_\_\_\_  
Postoffice: Keyes, I. T.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Vina Shoals, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen by U. S. of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Josiah Shoals, who is a citizen, by  
Freedman of the Choctaw Nation; that a Male child was  
[Male or Female]  
born to me on 7 day of March, 1902; that said child has been named  
William Shoals, and was living March 4, 1906.

Vina Shoals  
mark

WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Maggie L. Harris  
Adoniso Cole 12 day of Feb., 1907.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Feb., 1907.  
Emmett Harris  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Patsy Simpson, a Mid-Wife, on oath state that I  
attended on Vina Shoals, wife of Josiah Shoals,  
on the 7 day of March, 1902; that there was born to her on said date a Male  
[Male or Female]  
child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named William Shoals.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Maggie L. Harris  
Adoniso Cole  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12 day of Feb., 1907.  
Emmett Harris  
Notary Public.



Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1904.

Phillis Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory,

Dear wadam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 13, in which you ask if you have been enrolled, and wish to be informed if certain land described therein has been allotted.

In reply to your letter you are advised that before the Commission can identify you as an applicant for enrollment in either the Choctaw or Chickasaw nation it will be necessary for you to state when, where, and under what name you made application for enrollment, your age, the names of your parents, your husband, and your children, if any, and any other information you may possess which would enable the Commission to identify you upon its records as an applicant. The matter of your inquiry will then receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 11, 1902.

Josiah Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your two letters of October 5, asking if your children, Mary Gertrude and William Shoals, are enrolled, and also inquiring if children born subsequent to September 25, 1902, are entitled to allotments.

In reply to your letter you are advised that if you will give the name of the mother of your children, Mary Gertrude and William Shoals, referred to in your letter, and when, where and under what name application was made for their enrollment, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

You are informed that there is no provision for the enrollment of children born to Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen since September 25, 1902.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 1, 1905.

Joniah Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter without date asking if your children Gertrude and William Shoals have been approved, and stating that their mother's name is Vine Shoals.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein is not sufficient to enable this office to identify the children referred to upon its records. If you will state the name under which Vine Shoals was listed for enrollment and such other information which will enable this office to identify her upon the records, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 20, 1905.

Josiah Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 10, 1905, in which you state that the mother of your children Gertrude and William Shoals is Viney Shoals who was enrolled at Garvin, Indian Territory, as the wife of Josiah Shoals.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it does not appear from the records of this office that application has been made for the enrollment of Gertrude and William Shoals as Choctaw freedmen.

You are advised, however, that if you will state the maiden name of your wife Viney Shoals and the names of her parents the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 2, 1906.

Josiah Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 24, 1906, in which you state that you are the son of Phillip and Mary Shoals and that Wesley, Robert and Henry Shoals are your brothers.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein has enabled this office to identify you upon its records as a Choctaw freedman and your enrollment as such was approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

The matter of the land referred to in your letter has been made the subject of a separate communication.

Respectfully,



Acting Commissioner.

17-1212

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 5, 1906.

Josiah Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 27, 1906, stating that the name of your wife Vine Shoals is enrolled along with your name and that your children are William and Gertrude Shoals.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from the records of this office that you are enrolled with your father Phillip Shoals and your three brothers Wesley, Robert and Henry Shoals and it does not appear that your wife Vine Shoals is enrolled with you, neither does it appear that she is an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman under the name of Vine Simpson.

You are also advised that there is now no authority for the reception of original applications for the enrollment of children of Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen. In event of additional legislation you will be duly notified.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.



REFER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 14, 1906.

Josiah Shoals,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 5, 1906, in which you state that you have children as follows: Gertrude Shoals born February 15, 1901, William Shoals born March 7, 1902 and Freddie Shoals born January 15, 1905 and you ask how to proceed to have these children enrolled.

In reply to your letter you are advised that there is at present no authority for the reception of original applications for the enrollment of children of Choctaw and Chickasaw citizens and freedmen. In event of additional legislation on this subject you will be notified.

The communication from this office of March 2, 1906, inclosed with your letter is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

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Acting Commissioner.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 8, 1907.

Joe Sheals,

Care of Phil Sheals,

Keys, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 9, 1907, in which you ask if you can now file for your children Gertrude, William and Fred Sheals.

In reply to your letter you are advised that on March 4, 1907, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of your children Gertrude, William and Fred Sheals as minor Choctaw freedmen and selection of allotment may now be made in their behalf in accordance with the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homestead in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-18 1899.

Name Phillip Shoals

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 3131

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Wesley Shoals not on roll County 4 Year Page No.  
Jessie " County " Year Page No.  
Robby " County " Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
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County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1213

Isom Jackson

Fr 1213

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Isom Jackson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, April 18th, 1899 for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Isom Jackson.

Q. How old are you? A. 49.

Q. Whose slave were you? A. Fannie Lanihee's, a Chickasaw.

Q. Any body here know you? A. Yes sir, Albert Bird.

Albert Bird, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Isom Jackson.

Q. What is your name? A. Albert Bird.

Q. Do you know this man Isom Jackson? A. Yes sir.

Q. How long have you known him? A. I knew his mother before he was born.

Q. Was this man a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was his master? A. James Lanihee.

Q. What was he? A. A Chickasaw.

Q. Do you know this man has been living in this country ever since he was freed? A. Yes sir.

Q. How big was he when the war closed? A. About 20 years old.

Examination of Isom Jackson continued.

Q. How big was you when the war closed? A. I was about 15 or 16. I recollect the war good.

Albert Bird recalled.

Q. Albert do you recollect when James Lanihee sold his mother?

A. Yes sir

Q/ Who did he sell her to? A. Billy Gear.

Q. Was this man sold? A. No sir. All that were sold are up about Antlers.

Isom Jackson 2

Isom Jackson recalled.

My father and mother were sold, and a boy by the name of Henry. There was three of them sold.

Q. Where do you live? A. In Towson County. About four miles from Doaksville.

(Isom Jackson, wife and six children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

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Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. M. Shirley*



FREEDMAN

Following to go with Chickasaw Card No. 1124, Isom Jackson.

C. C. Irving being duly sworn by Com'r Needles, at Goodland, I.T May 8th, testified as follows in behalf of Isom Jackson.

Q. What is your name? A. C. C. Irving.

Q. Where do you live? A. I live at Grant, I. T.

Q. Are you acquainted with Isom Jackson? A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know whether he was sold at the time his mother was sold? A. No sir he was not sold, he belonged to old Lenaha.

Q. Do you know the name of the one that went with its mother when she was sold? A. Yes sir, Henry.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes

I hereby certify that my official oath as  
stenographer to the said Commission, and this  
transcript is a true and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

Chickasaw freedmen  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 24, 1903.

Isam Jackson,

Doaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 15, asking relative to the enrollment of the Choctaw freedmen.

In reply thereto you are informed that it appears from our records that Isam Jackson and his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson have been listed for enrollment by this Commission as Chickasaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to the selection of allotments for yourself and family at this time, your attention is invited to section fifteen of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

Chester Freedmen  
1211-1213-1224-  
1228-1231.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Doakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Pink Thompson, Mary Gross, Isham Jackson and Minerva Christian, and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mary Gross and her granddaughter, Curhelia Brown; Isham Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chester freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and their children, Emma Hampton, Edy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and their grandsons, Igins Hampton; Minerva McChristian and her minor children, Roy Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner; Jack Thompson and his children, Josiah

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and Lucinda Thompson, are applicants to this Commission for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Freedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4/18 1899.

Name Leon Jackson  
Choctaw? County Towson Year No. 1997  
Chickasaw? yes County Year Page  
Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship  
Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?  
License filed this day,  
Wife's name, Julia Ann Jackson  
Choctaw? County Year No. 1998  
Chickasaw? yes County Year Page  
Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship  
Intermarried citizen?  
Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Willie Jackson as roll as Wylie Jackson County Year Page No. 2017  
Ben " County Year Page No. 2018  
Anderson " County Year Page No. 2019  
Joseph " County Year Page No.  
Mitchell " County Year Page No. 2020  
Josephine " County Year Page No. 2021  
Emma " County Year Page No. 2022  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1214

Tom Alexander

Fr. 1214



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Tom Alexander, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Tom Alexander?

Q. How old are you? A. Thirty four.

Q. Were you a slave before the war? A. I don't know anything about the war.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Patsy Alexander.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Did she belong to Robert Jones or his Chickasaw wife?

A. I don't know.

Q. What was Robert Jones? A. A Choctaw.

Q. Been living here all the time? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are you a brother to this Shoals man? A. No sir he was my Uncle.

Patsy Johnson, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Tom Alexander.

Q. What is your name? A. Patsy Alexander Johnson.

Q. Do you know Tom Alexander? A. Yes sir, he was my first child.

Q. Do you know his children? A. Yes sir, Arthur, Sammy, Ambros and William.

Q. They are all living are they? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are they living with Tom at home? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Tom Alexander and four children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-18 1899.

Name Tom Alexander

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 92

Chickasaw? Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Arthur Alexander not on roll County " Year Page No.  
Samuel " County " Year Page No.  
Ambrose " County " Year Page No.  
William " County " Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
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County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1215

Vinie Cris

Fr. 1215

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Vinie Gris, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikehi, I.T., April 18th, 1898, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman. being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Vinie Gris.

Q. How old are you? A. 27.

Q. What is your father's name? A. Phillip Sheals.

Q. Is your mother a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Your father is a citizen is he? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was his master? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Have you always lived in this territory? A. Yes sir, born and raised in the Choctaw Nation.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir.

Q. What are their names? A. John Henry Gris, and Sam Benjamin Gris.

Liz Gilbert, under oath, states her father was a slave of Robert Jones, wife of Robert Jones, a Chickasaw.

(Enrolled Vinie Gris and two children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*John Henry Crie*  
as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth of child Crie  
for enrollment April 18, 1899*

*[Signature]*

Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

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CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN AN APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
I, John Henry Cris, born on the 20 day of Oct, 1895  
Name of Father: Ben Crisp a citizen of the US State  
Name of Mother: Viney Crisp a citizen of the Choctaw Nation  
Postoffice: Jarris T. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,

I, Viney Crisp, on oath state that I am 30  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Ben C Crisp, who is a citizen, by  
of the US Nation; that a male child was  
(Male or Female.)  
born to me on 20 day of Oct, 1895 that said child has been named  
John Henry Cris, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

H M Schoenfeld  
Roth Coor

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

10th

day of

Sept1895

H M Schoenfeld  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INDIAN TERRITORY,

I, Moria Hordeman, Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Viney Crisp, wife of Ben C Crisp  
on the 20 day of Oct, 1895 that there was born to her on said date a male  
child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named John Henry Cris  
Moria Hordeman

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

H M Schoenfeld  
Roth Coor

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

10th

day of

Sept1895

H M Schoenfeld  
Notary Public.



CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Sam Benjamin Levi*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

OCT 1 1904

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Commissioner.

*proof of birth certificate  
for enrollment April 18, 1899*

*[Signature]*

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COMMISSION TO THE FREEDMEN

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*[Signature]*

*[Signature]*

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN THE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
Ann Benjamin Crisp, born on the 17 day of March, 1897,  
Name of Father: Ben C Crisp a citizen of the U.S. Nation.  
Name of Mother: Viviey Crisp a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Postoffice: Jarvis I.T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

~~UNITED STATES OF AMERICA~~  
~~County of [unclear] State of [unclear]~~  
I, Viviey Crisp, on oath state that I am 30  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Ben C Crisp, who is a citizen, by  
of the U.S. Nation; that a Male child was  
born to me on 17 day of March, 1897, that said child has been named  
Ann Benjamin Crisp, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:  
(Must be Two Witnesses.) { H M Schoafford  
Robt Cook

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10<sup>th</sup> day of Sept, 1907  
H M Schoafford  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

~~UNITED STATES OF AMERICA~~  
~~County of [unclear] State of [unclear]~~  
I, Maria Hardman, a Widwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Viviey Crisp, wife of Ben C Crisp  
on the 17 day of March, 1897, that there was born to her on said date a  
child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Ann Benjamin Crisp  
Maria H Hardman

WITNESSES TO SIGN:  
(Must be Two Witnesses.) { H M Schoafford  
Robt Cook

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 10 day of Sept, 1907  
H M Schoafford  
Notary Public.

17-1212

Waskogie, Indian Territory, August 25, 1904.

B. G. Chrisp,

Foreman, Arkansas.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 18th inst., requesting to be advised whether Vinay Chrisp has been approved.

You are informed that Vinay Gris, of Janis, Indian Territory, who, it is believed, is the person concerning whom you write, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman, and her enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

The Commission has also before it the applications of John Henry Gris and Sam Benjamin Gris, sons of said Vinay Gris, for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but before their applications can be given further consideration the Commission must be furnished with proof of the birth of each of said children, for which purpose there are enclosed herewith two blank applications for the enrollment of infant children, which you are requested to have properly executed and returned to this office at your earliest convenience in the enclosed envelope, which requires no postage.

Respectfully,

W. G. S.

Chairman.

17-1215

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 14, 1904.

Vinie Gris,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Maria Hardman relative to the birth of your minor son John Henry Gris, October 25, 1895. Also your affidavit and that of Maria Hardman relative to the birth of your minor son San Benjamin Gris March 17, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1215

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 14, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby advised that the following notations have this day been placed upon Choctaw freedman enrollment card number 1215 Vinte Gris et al.

"No. 2 born Oct. 20, 1895, proof of birth filed Oct. 13, 1904."

"No. 3 born Mar. 17, 1897, proof of birth filed Oct. 13, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon duplicate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

17-1215

Waskogee, Indian Territory, October 14, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chickasaw Land Office,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby advised that the following notations have  
this day been placed upon Choctaw freedman enrollment card number  
1215 Vinie Cris et al.

"No. 2 born Oct. 20, 1895, proof of birth filed Oct.  
13, 1904."

"No. 3 born Mar. 17, 1897, proof of birth filed Oct.  
13, 1904".

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon dup-  
licate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



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COMMISSIONERS  
TAMM HENRY  
THOMAS S. WHEELER  
H. B. BRACKENRIDGE

WM. O. HEAL  
SHERMAN

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

W. O. B.  
NEVER IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Choctaw Freedmen  
1215.

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 29, 1904.

Viney Chrisp,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 27, in which you ask if John Henry and Sam Benjamin Chrisp have been approved.

In reply, you are informed that the names of John Henry and Sam Benjamin Cris, children of Vinie Cris, are now being placed upon schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. If you will communicate with the Commission again in about sixty days, you will be notified if their enrollment has been approved.

Respectfully,



Chairman.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

Name *Vinnie ~~Blair~~ Cris* (Date) *4-18* 1899.

Choctaw? County *Adair* Year No. *Not on Roll*

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*John Henry Cris not on roll*  
*Sam Benjamin*

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Choctaw Fr. 1216

Josie Brown

Fr. 1216

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Josie Brown, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn, by Commissioner Needles, testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Josie Brown.

Q. How old are you? A. 37.

Q. Were you a slave at the end of the war. A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Henry Folsom.

Q. Was he Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.

Q. Where have you lived ever since the war? A. Right there at Doaksville.

Q. Did you belong to Henry Folsom or his wife? A. His wife I think.

Q. Was his wife a Chickasaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. And you belonged to her instead of him? A. Yes sir.

Q. Got any children? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Josie Brown and six children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 5, 1903.

Josie Brown,

Sawyer, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 27, 1903, stating that you are the mother of Mattie Russell, John Willis, Frank Loman, Alonzo and Ranza Wilson, Bill McCoy and Emma Brown; and you request information relative to their enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen.

You are informed it appears from our records that Josie Brown and her minor children, John Willis, Frank Loman, Alonzo and Ranza Wilson, Willie McCoy and Emma Brown are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen but their rights to final enrollment as such have not yet been determined.

You are further informed that it appears from our records that Lorenzo Russell and his wife Mollie Russell, who, it appears is a daughter of Josie Brown, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their rights to final enrollment as such have not yet been determined.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1216

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 14, 1904.

Josie Brown,

Sawyer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., stating that your son, Frank Loman, a Chickasaw freedman is dead, and you desire to be informed how to proceed to select his allotment.

You are advised it appears from our records that Josie Brown and her children, John Willis, Frank Loman, Alenae and Ranza Wilson, Willie McCoy, and Emma Brown have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

You are further informed that the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, provide -- that selections of allotments for citizens or freedmen of said Nations who have died subsequent to September 28, 1902, and before making a selection of allotment, may be made by a duly appointed administrator or executor.

If therefore, you desire to select allotment for your deceased son, you will understand that it will be necessary that you be appointed administrator of his estate.

Respectfully,



*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-18* 1899.

Name *Josie Brown*

Choctaw? County *Adair* *Townson* Year No. *210*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Transferred to Chickasaw roll*

|                      |                  |               |               |                 |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------|
| <i>Josie Hillis</i>  | County <i>"</i>  | Year <i>"</i> | Page <i>"</i> | No. <i>2296</i> |
| <i>Frank Lowman</i>  | County <i>do</i> | Year <i>"</i> | Page <i>"</i> | No. <i>2291</i> |
| <i>Alma Wilson</i>   | County <i>do</i> | Year <i>"</i> | Page <i>"</i> | No. <i>2497</i> |
| <i>Rama</i>          | County <i>do</i> | Year <i>"</i> | Page <i>"</i> | No. <i>3498</i> |
| <i>Hillie McLeod</i> | County <i>do</i> | Year <i>"</i> | Page <i>"</i> | No. <i>2539</i> |
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*All transferred to Chickasaw rolls*

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Choctaw Fr. 1217

Harlan Johnson

Jacket Empty

Fr. 1217

Choctaw Fr. 1218

Jane Stewart

Fr. 1218

Chickasaw Freedman  
1226

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 21, 1903.

Mitchell Stewart,  
Valliant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 16, asking if your enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that you have been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of the Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

The matter of the classification of the lands referred to in your letter, has been made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 16, 1903.

Van Stewart,

Valliant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th instant, requesting to be advised whether the enrollment of yourself and family has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, stating that your family are Chickasaw Freedmen, but that you are a Choctaw Freedman. You also request to be advised how much land each Chickasaw Freedman will be entitled to.

You are informed it appears from our records that Van Stewart, now about forty-three years of age, of Clear Creek, Indian Territory, has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw Freedman, and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 6, 1903.

It further appears from our records that Jane Stewart, wife of Van Stewart, and their children, Mitchell, David, Willie, Jimmie, George, Ella and Liza Ann Stewart, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of such freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.



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You are further advised that each Chickasaw Freedman, whose enrollment by this Commission has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, will be entitled, under the provisions of the Act of Congress, approved July 1, 1906 (34 Stat., 641), which was ratified by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, September 25, 1902, to an allotment of land equal in value to forty acres of the average allotable land of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 16, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Cheestaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are requested to make the following notation upon  
duplicate Chickasaw Freedmen enrollment card number 1224:

"Husband of No. 1 and father of children hereon is  
Van Stewart on Cheestaw Freedmen card No. 406."

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1216

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1904.

William Stewart,

Valliant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 1st inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your wife, Jane Stewart and her children.

You are informed it appears from our records that Jane Stewart and her children, Mitchell, David, Willis, Fannie, George, Ella and Lisa Ann Stewart have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen and their names transmitted on a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Fr. 1219

Charley Eubanks

Fr. 1219

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 8, 1905.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Custer Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 8, 1905, asking that the records in the matter of the enrollment of the wife and children of Charley Subanks as Creek freedmen be examined and that your office be advised if any other post office address than Oakhill is shown.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from the records of the Creek Enrollment Division that the post office address of the wife and children of Charley Subanks is given as Ridge, Indian Territory.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Fr. 1220

Green Pickens

Fr. 1220



In the matter of the application of Sarah Pickens, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Sarah Pickens?

Q. How old are you? A. Twenty two.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Mary Gross.

Q. Was she Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Chickasaw.

Q. Any body here know you? A. Yes sir.

Missie McGreaston, being sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Sarah Pickens.

Q. What is your name? A. Missy McGreaston.

Q. Do you know this girl? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Mary Gross?

Q. Where is her mother? A. Down at the camp.

Examination of Sarah Pickens continued.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir, one.

Q. What is its name? A. Perry Pickens.

Q. What is your husband's name? A. Green Pickens.

(Enrolled Sarah and Perry Pickens as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Ashley*



FREEDMAN

In re application of Green Pickens, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Goodland, I.T., May 11th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Green Pickens.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Easter Burks.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Caroline Colbert.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Sarah.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Mary Gross.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. My wife enrolled at Alikchi, I.T., under the name of Sarah Pickens.

Q. Have you always lived here in the Nation? A. Yes sir all my life.

(Enrolled Green Pickens as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, that the  
above is a true and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Yessie A. Pickens*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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*proof of birth of child listed  
for enrollment April 18, 1899*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
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CHAIRMAN.

*Gilewick*

17-1220

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Perry Pickens, born on the 27 day of July, 1898  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Green Pickens a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Sarah Pickens citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post-office: Hugo Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Sarah Pickens, on oath state that I am 25  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Perry Green Pickens, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Male child was  
(Male or female)  
born to me on 27 day of July, 1898; that said child has been named  
Perry Pickens, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Sarah PickensMust be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

14th day ofSept1904Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Mary Gross, a midwife, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. Sarah Pickens, wife of Green Pickens  
on the 27 day of July, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
(MALE OR FEMALE)  
Perry Pickens

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Mary GrossMust be Two  
Witnesses.Thomas Fennell

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

16th day ofSept1904Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Isaac Friedman*  
as a citizen of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved DEC 8 1902 190

*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

*Chickasaw Friedman*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as free dewan citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Jay Pickens, born on the 29 day of Jan., 1903  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Sam Pickens, free dewan citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Sarah Pickens, free dewan citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-Office: Hugo.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

INDIAN TERRITORY, }

Central District. }

I, Sarah Pickens, on oath state that I am 24  
 years of age and a citizen, by free dewan, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Sam Pickens, who is a citizen, by  
free dewan, of the Chickasaw Nation, that female child was  
(Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 29 day of Jan., 1903; that said child has been  
 named Jay Pickens, and is now living.

Sarah Pickens

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.) }Subscribed and sworn to before me this 5 day of Dec., 1903.H. C. Ristien

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }

INDIAN TERRITORY, }

Central District. }

I, May Gross, Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Sarah Pickens, wife of Sam Pickens,  
 on the 29 day of Jan., 1903; that there was born to her on said  
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named Jay Pickens.  
(Male or female.)

WITNESSED TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.) }Subscribed and sworn to before me this 3 day of Dec., 1903.H. C. Ristien

Notary Public.

17-1220

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Green Pickens,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Perry Pickens, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any evidence as to the birth of this child has been filed with the Commission. You should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each separate affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

You should give this matter your prompt attention as until this proof of birth is received, nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your said son as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Enc.

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1220

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 21, 1904.

Green Pickens,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Sarah Pickens and Mary Gross relative to the birth of your minor son Perry Pickens July 27, 1898, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said child.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1228

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 21, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

You are hereby advised that the following notation was this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card number 1220, Green Pickens et al.

"No. 3 born July 27, 1898, proof of birth filed Sept 21, 1904."

You are therefore requested to place like notation upon the duplicate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Freedmen

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

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1899.

Name Green Pickens

Choctaw ? County Year No. 2812

Chickasaw ? yes County Winn Towsen Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ? County Year No.

Chickasaw ? County Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|        |      |      |     |
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*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-18* 1899.

Name *Sarah Pickins on roll as Sarah Jones*

Choctaw? County *Townson* Year No. *1503*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Perry Pickins* County Year Page No. *not on roll*

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Choctaw Fr 1221

Dennis Harvey

Fr 1221



In the matter of the application of Dennis Hume, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman, at Alikehi, April 18th, 1899, and being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, et al, testified as follows.

Q. What is your name? A. Dennis Hume.

Q. How old are you? A. Fifty six.

Q. Were you a slave during the war? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Did you belong to Robert Jones, or his wife? A. He raised

me.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn testifies as follows in behalf of Dennis Hume.

Q. Who did Dennis Hume Belong to? A. Vicky Colbert died, and he belonged to her. When she died they turned the children over to Susan Colbert, and that is the way they come to Robert Jones.

Dennis Hume recalled.

Q. Have you lived in the Choctaw Nation ever since the war?

A. Yes sir:

Enrolled Dennis Hume, and two children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to the above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. K. Shirley*



Choctaw freedmen  
1881

Waskogee, Indian Territory, December 21, 1903.

Dennis Humes,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 14, in which you ask if the enrollment of yourself and your wife, Martha Ella Humes, and your child, James Humes has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Dennis Humes and his wife, Martha E. Humes, and their children James and Monroe Humes have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of freedmen of said Nation prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1221

Maskogee, Indian Territory, January 12, 1904.

Benis Humes,

Bokehoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 5, 1904, asking if your enrollment has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that you and your wife, Martha M. Humes, and your children, James and Monroe Humes have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of the Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It is suggested that if you will communicate with the Commission in about two months, you will be notified as to whether or not your enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1221

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 20, 1904.

Marthella Humes,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 15th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family and also making inquiry relative to certain lands described therein.

You are informed it appears from our records that Dennis Humes, his wife, Martha E. Humes, and their sons, James and Monroe Humes, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

That part of your letter referring to land, will be made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-18* 1899.

Name *Sam's Kemmer on roll as Sam's Kemmer*

Choctaw? ..... County *Red River* Year ..... No. *1811*

Chickasaw? *yes* County ..... Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....

Intermarried citizen? .....

Married under what law? .....

License filed this day .....

Wife's name, *Martha E. Kemmer*

Choctaw? *yes* County *Red River* Year ..... No. *1812*

Chickasaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....

Intermarried citizen? .....

Married under what law? .....

License filed this day .....

Names of children:

*James Kemmer* County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *1814*  
*Monroe* County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *1813*

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Choctaw Fr. 1222

Martha Jackson

Fr. 1222

**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Martha Jackson to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, testified as follows:-

Q. Were you a slave before the war? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your name? A. Martha Jackson.

Q. Who was your master? A. Kitty Folsom was my mistress and my master was Sampson Folsom.

Q. Were they Choctaws or Chickasaws? A. Chickasaws.

Q. How many children have you? A. Three.

Q. You are married are you? A. No sir.

Q. Never have been married? A. No sir.

(Martha Jackson and three children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smith*



19-1151

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1903.

Martha Jackson,  
Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 7th instant, giving information relative to your application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

You are advised that it appears from our records that Martha Johnson, forty years of age, her son, Davis James, her daughter Daisy James, and her son, Robert Jackson, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedule now being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

The plat of certain lands described by you was not enclosed in your letter, as stated, however, your request for the classification thereof has been noted and the same forwarded you this day under separate cover.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 2, 1903.

Martha Jackson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 25, 1903, stating that you were never known by the name of Martha Johnson, and giving certain information relative to the membership of your family.

You are advised that in our letter of September 14, 1903, the name Martha Johnson appearing in the second paragraph of said letter should have been Martha Jackson.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman  
1222; 1367

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 31, 1904.

David James,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 28 asking if you and your wife, Neat Colbert, can now select your allotments as Chickasaw freedmen.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Davis James, son of Martha Jackson and Ab James has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw freedman and his name placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared and forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, but the Commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon. If you are not the Davis James above referred to, and will furnish information relative to your age, the names of your parents and the other members of your family for whom application was made at the same time, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

It appears from our records that Neat Colbert has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

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Pending the approval of your enrollment by the Secretary of the Interior, no selection in allotment could be made in your behalf.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in charge.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-18* 1899.

Name *Martha Jackson*

Choctaw? County *Towson* Year No. *1999*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? ~~Choctaw~~ Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                       |        |      |      |                 |
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| <i>Lewis James</i>    | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2003</i> |
| <i>Daisy James</i>    | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2004</i> |
| <i>Robert Jackson</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2007</i> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1223

Hettie Smith

Fr. 1223



## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Hetty Smith, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikohi, I.T., April 18th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Hetty Smith?

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Mary Shoals.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. Daniel Simpson.

Q. Where is your mother? A. She is at home.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was Daniel Simpson, Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. I don't know sir.

Q. Have you been living in the territory ever since you were born? A. Yes sir.

Q. Where is your father? A. He is here.

Phillip Shoals, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Hetty Smith?

Q. Do you know this girl? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who is she? A. My daughter.

Q. Was she born and raised here in the Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is she married? A. Yes sir

Q. Is her husband a citizen? A. No sir, non-citizen.

Q. Has she got any children? A. Yes sir, two.

Q. You are a Chickasaw are you? A. Yes sir. I am a Chickasaw

Q. Your wife is a state woman is she? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Hetty Smith and two children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. [Signature]*

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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Barter Smith

as a citizen of

Choclaue.

Nation.

Approved

Commissioner.

Proof of birth of child  
 listed for enrollment  
 4/18/99

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
 COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, is a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
of Porter Smith born on the 12 day of June, 1897.  
Name of Father: Ben Smith citizen of the US Nation.  
Name of Mother: Hettie Smith citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Post office Jarvis, Ark.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

~~State of Arkansas~~  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
County of Little Rock

I, Hettie Smith, do hereby state that I am 26  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Ben Smith, who is a citizen, by  
of the US Nation; that a Male child was  
born to me on 12 day of June, 1897, that said child has been named  
Porter Smith, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

My Comm. To  
Witness

Clara A. Guero  
Morgan Burris

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Feb, 1904

A. B. Schofield  
NOTARY PUBLIC.  
Arkansas

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

~~State of Arkansas~~  
INDIAN TERRITORY.  
County of Little Rock

I, Patsy Simpson Midwife, do hereby state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. Ben Smith wife of Ben Smith  
on the 12 day of June, 1897, that there was born to her on said  
date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Porter Smith.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

My Comm. To  
Witness

Clara A. Guero  
Morgan Burris

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 22 day of Feb, 1904

A. B. Schofield  
NOTARY PUBLIC.  
Arkansas

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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Louise Smith

as a citizen of the

Chickasaw Freedmen's Association.

Approved.

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Commissioner.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a ~~citizen~~ <sup>freedman</sup> of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Lottie Smith, born on the 4th day of August, 1900  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Ben Smith, a citizen of the United States Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Nettie Smith a ~~citizen~~ <sup>freedman</sup> of the Chickasaw Nation.

Post-Office: Janis I T

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Nettie Smith, on oath state that I am 23  
 years of age and a ~~citizen~~ <sup>freedman</sup>, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Ben Smith, who is a citizen, ~~by~~  
 of the United States Nation, that a ~~female~~ <sup>female</sup> child was  
 (Male or female.)  
 born to me on the 4th day of August, 1900, that said child has been  
 named Lottie Smith, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of November, 1902.T. J. [Signature]  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

District.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, a \_\_\_\_\_, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. \_\_\_\_\_, wife of \_\_\_\_\_,  
 on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_; that there was born to her on said  
 date a \_\_\_\_\_ child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (Male or female.)  
 named \_\_\_\_\_.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_.

Notary Public.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Loftis Smith*

as a citizen of the

*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved

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*[Signature]*  
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*[Signature]*  
T. A. K. M.

# DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Lottie Smith, born on the 1 day of Jan, 1902  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: Ben Smith, a citizen of the U.S. Nation.  
Name of Mother: Hattie Smith, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post Office: Janis Ind Ter

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Hattie Smith, on oath state that I am 24  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Ben Smith, who is a citizen, by  
of the U.S. Nation, that a female child was  
(Male or female.)  
born to me on the 2 day of Jan, 1902; that said child has been  
named Lottie Smith, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Whites.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Dec, 1902

A.B. Clark

Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Vanny Christ, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Hattie Smith, wife of Ben Smith,  
on the 2 day of Jan, 1902; that there was born to her on said  
date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(Male or female.)  
named Lottie Smith.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Whites.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Dec, 1902

A.B. Clark

Notary Public.

Jessie Land

May 20<sup>th</sup> 1904

I Maude Mayer being duly  
sworn according to law.  
do hereby to say. that this is to certify  
that I was present at the time  
Phil Shale & Mary Shale the wife of  
Phil Shale were married, and I  
further certify that I have known them  
ever since their marriage and  
know that they have lived together  
as man and wife ever since  
their marriage.

Witness my hand and seal

this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1904  
Witness  
H. M. Schaeffeld  
Notary Public  
Maude Mayer  
his wife

State of Arkansas  
Leflore County

Subscribed and sworn  
to before me this 20<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1904

H. M. Schaeffeld  
Notary Public

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Expires Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1907

James Lued Luv  
May 20<sup>th</sup> 1904.

I Miss Lued Luv being duly  
sworn according to law  
disposed and this to certify  
that I was present at the time  
Phil Shaws and Mary Shaws were  
Phil Shaws were married and I  
further certify that I have known them  
ever since their marriage, and know  
that they have lived together as man  
and wife ever since their marriage  
to date.

Witness my hand and seal  
this 20 day of May 1904.  
Wm Schoenfeld His 9<sup>th</sup> Lued Luv  
Notary Public

State of Arkansas  
Little River County

Subscribed and  
Sworn to before me  
this 20<sup>th</sup> day of May 1904  
Wm Schoenfeld  
Notary Public

Comm  
Expires Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1907

IS-1118.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 29, 1903.

Mettie Smith,

Jenks, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Lettie Smith, infant daughter of Ben and Mettie Smith, born January 2, 1900; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1223

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Hettie Smith,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, you should immediately supply the Commission with evidence of the marriage of your parents, which evidence may consist either of the original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two disinterested parties, who know that your parents were married and that since their marriage they have lived together as husband and wife.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Porter and Lottie Smith, as Choctaw freedmen, you are advised that until you furnish proof of the birth of said children, nothing further can be done in the matter of their enrollment. To assist you in making proof of birth there are enclosed you herewith two blank affidavits.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark,



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it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

B. C.

Rev.

17-1223

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 23, 1904.

Ben Smith,

Janis, Indian Territory

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Hettie Smith and Fatsy Simpson, relative to the birth of your minor son, Porter Smith, June 12, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

It appears from our records that under date of January 25, 1904, your wife, Hettie Smith was advised that before further consideration could be given the application for enrollment of herself and minor children as Choctaw freedmen, it would be necessary that evidence of the marriage of her parents be furnished the Commission.

You are advised that this matter should be given immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

13-1222

Managers, Indian Territory, June 12, 1904

Wattie Smith,

Janis, Indian Territory

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 20, 1904, enclosing the affidavits of Hip Tuck and Maria Mosley relative to the marriage between your father and mother, and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for your enrollment and that of your minor children as freedmen.

Respectfully,

Chairman

# Friedman MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-18 1899.

Name Hettie Smith

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. Not on roll

Chickasaw? Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw Friedman

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day.

Wife's name.

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

## Names of children:

Paster Smith County Year Page No. Not on roll

Birdie County Year Page No. " "

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Choctaw Fr. 1224

Pink Thompson

Fr. 1224

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Pink Thompson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Pink Thompson.

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Henry Polson.

Q. What was he? A. A Choctaw.

Q. Where have you been living since the war? A. In the Choctaw Nation all the time.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir?

Q. What are their names? Eddy, Emma, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Lucy Thompson.

Q. Is she here? A. Yes sir, but she is a little sick.

Q. Who was her master? A. Pameetchie.

Q. What was he? A. He was a Chickasaw.

Q. Did you belong to Henry Polson or his wife? A. I think we came through his wife, she was a Chickasaw.

Albert Bird, being duly sworn, testifies as follows in behalf of Pink Thompson.

Q. What is your name? A. Albert Bird?

Q. How old are you? A. I don't know sir.

Q. Do you know this man's wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. <sup>Lawitie</sup> ~~Eddy~~, Chickasaw, English, Mary.

Q. Was he a Chickasaw? A. yes sir.

Q. Do you know anything about Pameetchie? or Mallilie?

A. yes sir, Pameetchie he died and all he had fell to Mallilie and Lawitie and stayed with them.

Q. Who owned this woman, Lucy Thompson? A. She first belonged



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to Nameetchie and then fell to Lawitie, and there she remained.

Q. What kin was this woman to Pameetchie? A. They called him Grandpa.

Q. Do you know positively that this woman Lucy Thompson was owned by these people? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Pink Thompson, wife and five children as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. B. Smiley*

OF THE INTER-  
NATIONAL OF THE FIVE CIVILIZED IN  
**FILED**  
JAN 20 1902

Doakville,

Ind. Ter.

Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1900.

To all who this may concern:

This is to certify that  
I Rev. Alfred Gross did solemnize the marriage  
between, Will Hampton, and Emma Thompson  
on the second day of Dec. 1900.

Given by my hand  
this day of our Lord, A.D.

Alfred Gross

Witnesses:

Pink Thompson.

Lucy Thompson.

Mary Gross.

Subscribed & Sworn to Before me this  
8<sup>th</sup> Day Dec A.D 1900

Thomas Fennell  
Notary Public

Enrollment 1911

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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Lyniz Hampton

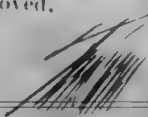
as a citizen of

Ad. ~~Chick's Son~~  
~~Chick's Son~~ Nation.

Approved,

SEP 27 1902

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Adopted By Chick Saw* Nation,  
 of *Iying Hampton*, born on the *22<sup>nd</sup>* day of *June*, 1902  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *Wilburn Hampton*, a citizen of the *Adopted By Chick Saw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Emma Hampton*, a citizen of the *Adopted By Chick Saw* Nation.  
 Post-office, *Hugo Ind Ter*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central Ind* District.

I, *Emma Hampton*, on oath state that I am *23*  
 years of age and a citizen, by *Adopted*, of the *Chick Saw* Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *Wilburn Hampton*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adopted*, of the *Chick Saw* Nation, that a *male* child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the *22<sup>nd</sup>* day of *June*, 1902; that said child has been  
 named *Iying Hampton*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)Subscribed and sworn to before me this *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *Aug*, 1902.*Thomas Fennell*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central Ind* District.

I, *Mary Grass*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Emma Hampton*, wife of *Wilburn Hampton*,  
 on the *22<sup>nd</sup>* day of *June*, 1902; that there was born to her on  
 said date a *male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female)  
 named *Iying Hampton*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)Subscribed and sworn to before me this *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *Aug*, 1902.*Thomas Fennell*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

19-1156.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 27, 1902.

Wilburn Hampton,

Hugo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 20th inst., enclosing the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Lyins Hampton, infant son of Wilburn and Emma Hampton, born July 22, 1902; which was returned to you for further information relative to the mother of the child.

It is stated in your letter that the mother of your child was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman under the name of Emma Thompson, that she was the daughter of Pink and Lucy Thompson.

You are ~~informed~~ <sup>advised</sup> that the information contained in your letter has enabled the Commission to identify the mother of this child, and the application for its enrollment being in proper form has been duly filed with our records, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

You are requested to furnish the Commission with either



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the original marriage license and certificate between yourself and Emma Thompson, or a certified copy thereof, as authority for the change of her name upon our records from her maiden name to her present married name.

Please give this matter prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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Mustoge, Indian Territory, October 14, 1902.

Wilburn Hampton.

Hugo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Under date of September 27, 1902, acknowledgment was made to you of receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Lyins Hampton, infant son of Wilburn and Emma Hampton, born July 22, 1902; and the same being in proper form was duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

You were requested to furnish the Commission with either your original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, as authority for the change of the name of the mother upon our records from her maiden name to her present married name.

The Commission is this day in receipt of an unsigned certificate written with a pencil, stating that Will Hampton and Emma Thompson were married on the 2d day of December, 1901; and the same is returned to you herewith, for the reason that owing to its imperfection it cannot be accepted as legal evidence of marriage between the parties named.

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It is suggested that if you are in possession of the original marriage license and certificate between yourself and Emma Thompson that you forward the same to the Commission at your earliest convenience. Please give this matter prompt attention.

It is noted in the affidavit of the mother relative to the birth of the child, Lyina Hampton, that she states that Wilburn Hampton is a citizen by adoption of the Chickasaw Nation.

If this is correct, you are requested to state your age, the time and place application was made for your enrollment and the names of the other members of the family for whom application was made at the same time.

This matter should also receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 29, 1903.

Wilburn Hampton,

Hugo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 5th inst., in which you state that you are a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation and were enrolled with your mother, Rosie Hampton, at Goodland, Indian Territory, in 1899. You also enclose certified copy of the marriage certificate between yourself and Emma Thompson, of December 2, 1900; and the same has been filed with the record in your case. You also enclose certified copy of the marriage certificate between John Brown and Cornelia Neale of September 28, 1903; and the same is herewith returned you, for the reason that the information contained therein is not sufficient to identify either John Brown or Cornelia Neale as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen.

If these persons have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen, kindly state when, where and under what names they were so listed, the names of the other members of

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their families for whom application was made at the same time and any other information you may have which will enable the Commission to identify either John Brown or Cornelia Neals as being duly listed for enrollment as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen.

Upon receipt of the information requested, together with evidence of marriage, the matter will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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Chickasaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 3, 1903.

Pink Thompson,

Doaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 3, asking relative to the selection of homesteads and requesting to be informed if this refers to freedmen.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902, provides that each Choctaw and Chickasaw freedman whose enrollment is approved by the Secretary of the Interior shall receive an allotment of land equal in value to forty acres of the average allottable land of said nations, and further provides that the allotment of each Choctaw and Chickasaw freedman shall be inalienable during the lifetime of the allottee, not exceeding twenty one years from the date of certificate of allotment.

It appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Luch Thompson, and their children, Emma, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson and their grandchild Lying Hampton, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their names have



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not been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to the selection of your allotments at this time your attention is invited to section fifteen of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 24, 1903.

Pink Thompson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 14, in which you ask if your name has been sent to the Secretary of the Interior for approval so that you can file on your land as a Chickasaw Freedman. You further request to be informed if any one can lay a claim to the land that you have under fence and which you desire to select as your allotment.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that you, your wife, Lucy Thompson, and your children Emma, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson and your grandchild, Iyins Hampton, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but your names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You would not, therefore, be permitted to select allotment of land at this time. You are informed, however, that if you will furnish a description of the land which you desire to select in

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allotment, proper notation thereof will be made upon our records and you will be notified in event any other person makes application for the same land or any portion thereof and will be permitted to institute contest proceedings for its possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Chester Freedmen  
1211-1213-1224-  
1226-1251.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Doakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Pink Thompson, Mary Gross, Isham Jackson and Minerva Christian, and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mary Gross and her granddaughter, Curdella Brown; Isham Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chester freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and their children, Emma Hampton, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and their grandson, Lyons Hampton; Minerva McChristian and her minor children, Mary Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Minnie McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner; Jack Thompson and his children, Josiah

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and Lucinda Thompson, are applicants to this Commission for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-19

1899.

Name Pink Thompson

Choctaw? County Johnson Choctaw Nation Year No. 3304

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw Friedman

Intermarried citizen? residing in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name, Lucy Thompson

Choctaw? County Johnson Choctaw Nation Year No. 3305

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Emma Thompson County Year Page No. 3310

Eddy " County Year Page No. 3311

Walter " County Year Page No. 3312

Jimmie " County Year Page No. 3313

Friedman " County Year Page No. 3314

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Choctaw Fr. 1225

Emma Byrd

Fr. 1225

**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Albert Byrd, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Albert Byrd.

Q. How old are you? A. About eighty.

Q. Whom was your master? A. Harris Pratt.

Q. He owned you at the end of the war did he? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was he, a chickasaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. Got any children? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is Emma Byrd your child? A. Yes sir.

Q. How old is she? A. About seven.

Q. What was her mother's name? A. Silvy Byrd.

Q. What was her name before you married her? A. Silvy Thompson.

Q. Emma is your girl is she. A. Yes sir.

Pink Thompson being duly sworn testified as follows in behalf of Albert Byrd.

Q. Do you know Emma Byrd? A. Yes sir, she is the daughter of my wife's sister.

Q. Is she living? A. Yes sir, I haven't heard of her death. Albert Byrd recalled.

Q. Where is the child now? A. She is with Sylvia Pitchlynn.

Q. How long has she been up there? A. Since last August a year ago.

Enrolled Albert and Emma Byrd as Chickasaw Freedmen)

**Department of the Interior,**

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. H. Smith*

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-19* 1899.

Name *Albert Byrd*  
Choctaw? County *Cedar Co Choctaw Nation 180*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

~~Citizen by blood?~~ Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Emma Byrd* *roll as Emma Byrd*  
County Year Page No. *229*  
County Year Page No.  
County Year Page No.  
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Choctaw Fr. 1226

Hattie Graham

Fr. 1226

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Hattie Graham, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Hattie Graham.

Q. How old are you? A. About 26.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Julia Jackson.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Henry Folsom.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your husband's name? A. Gilbert Graham.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir, my first one is named Henry Lee by my first husband, my other child is Robert Graham and I have a step child, Mattie Graham.

Q. How old is she? A. I don't know exactly, her people say she is about nine years old.

Q. Who does Mattie's mother belong to? A. To Carrie Garland.

Q. Are the Garlands Choctaws? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did your mother belong to Henry Folsom, or his wife? A. I don't know which one, they always told me Henry Folsom.

Q. Who was your mother's father? A. Ben McGilberry.

Q. Your mother belonged to Henry Folsom's wife didn't she?

Simon Folsom, being sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Hattie Graham.

Q. What is your name? Ans. Simon Folsom.

Q. Do you know Carrie Garland? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did she belong to when a slave? A. I think Joe Garland her mother was named Ellen.

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Did you know Hattie Graham's mother, Julia Jackson? A. No sir.  
Isom Jackson, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf  
of Hattie Graham.

Q. What is your name? A. Isom Jackson.

Q. Do you know this girl's mother? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Henry Folsom's wife.

Q. Who was his wife? A. I think Harriet Folsom, I think  
her mother went as a Chickasaw.

(Enrolled Hattie Graham, Henry Lee and Robert Graham as Chicka  
saws, and Mattie Graham as Choctaw.

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley



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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Sam Graham*

as a citizen of

*Choctaw*

Nation.

Approved

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*

ACTING CHAIRMAN.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the ~~Chickasaw~~ <sup>Chickasaw</sup> Nation,  
of ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~, born on the 20 day of March, 1904  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~, a citizen of the ~~U. S. States~~ <sup>Chickasaw</sup> Nation.  
Name of Mother: ~~Hattie~~ <sup>Hattie</sup> ~~Graham~~, a citizen of the ~~U. S. States~~ <sup>Chickasaw</sup> Nation.  
Post-office, ~~Oakville Ind. Ter.~~ <sup>Oakville Ind. Ter.</sup>

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |  
INDIAN TERRITORY, |  
~~Chickasaw~~ District. |

I, ~~Hattie~~ <sup>Hattie</sup> ~~Graham~~, on oath state that I am 28  
years of age and a citizen, by ~~Adoption~~ <sup>Chickasaw</sup> of the ~~Chickasaw~~ Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~, who is a citizen, by  
~~Blood~~ <sup>Blood</sup> of the ~~U. S. States~~ <sup>Chickasaw</sup> Nation, that a ~~Male~~ <sup>Male</sup> child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 20 day of March 1904; that said child has been  
named ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

~~Hattie~~ <sup>Hattie</sup> ~~Graham~~

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of August 1904.

~~Thomas Fennell~~ <sup>Thomas Fennell</sup>  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, |  
INDIAN TERRITORY, |  
~~Chickasaw~~ District. |

I, ~~Mary~~ <sup>Mary</sup> ~~Gross~~, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. ~~Hattie~~ <sup>Hattie</sup> ~~Graham~~, wife of ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~,  
on the 20 day of March, 1904, that there was born to her on  
said date a ~~Male~~ <sup>Male</sup> child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named ~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Graham~~.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

~~Mary~~ <sup>Mary</sup> ~~Gross~~  
mark~~Isom~~ <sup>Isom</sup> ~~Gross~~~~Cornele Neale~~

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9 day of August 1904.

~~Thomas Fennell~~ <sup>Thomas Fennell</sup>  
NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILDRobert W. K. K. K.  
as a citizen of

Chocoma

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

Proof of birth of child  
listed for enrollment 11/17/14DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chactaw Nation,  
of Robert Graham, born on the 22 day of March, 1878  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: Gilbert Graham, a citizen of the United States Nation.  
Name of Mother: Hattie Graham, a citizen of the Chactaw Nation.  
Post-office, Dooksville Ind.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.  
I, Hattie Graham, on oath state that I am 30  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chactaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Gilbert Graham, who is a citizen, by  
of the United States Nation, that a male child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 22 day of March, 1878 that said child has been  
named Robert Graham, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK  
(Must be Two)  
Witnesses

R G Cart Gilbert Graham  
Mrs. L. Cart Mother

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Feb, 1904

R G Cart

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,  
District.

I, Mary Grass, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Hattie Graham, wife of Gilbert Graham,  
on the 22 day of March, 1878 that there was born to her on  
said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Robert Graham.

WITNESSES TO MARK:  
(Must be Two)  
Witnesses

Mary Grass

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Feb, 1904

R G Cart

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 20, 1901.

Mr. Gilbert Graham,

Beaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Isom Graham, the infant son of Gilbert and Hattie Graham, born March 20, 1901 and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

It is noted that you make the application for enrollment of your child as a Choctaw freedman. You are informed that the records show that upon April 19, 1899, Hattie Graham, 26 years of age of Townsen County and her minor children Henry Lee and Robert Graham were duly listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 18, 1903.

Elizabeth Davis,

Bokhema, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 10, in which you state that Henry Lee is the son of your son, Silas Lee, and Hattie Graham, both deceased, and you wish to know if you can adopt your grand-son, or be appointed his guardian in order to make selection of allotment in his behalf.

In reply to your letter your attention is invited to section 8 of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith enclosed you.

You are informed that the matter of the appointment of guardians or administrators for minor citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations is one which does not come within the jurisdiction of the Commission, and it is therefore impracticable to give you any information upon this subject.

You are advised, however, that the Commission will for



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the present recognize in the selection of allotments for such minor citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations duly qualified and appointed guardians or administrators irrespective of whether they have been appointed by the United States Courts in the Indian Territory, or the Tribal Courts of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 16, 1903.

Gilbert Graham,

Ft. Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Joe Willia relative to the death of your wife, Hattie Graham, which occurred June 23, 1903; and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of death of the above named person.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Hattie Graham,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Robert Graham, as a Choctaw freedman, it will be necessary, before anything further can be done in the matter of his enrollment, that you furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said child, blanks for that purpose being enclosed you herewith.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

B.C.  
Env.

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Waskagee, Indian Territory, February 4, 1904.

Gilbert Graham,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your minor son, Robert Graham, as a Choctaw freedman, it will be necessary before the same can receive further attention that you furnish the Commission with affidavits relative to the birth of said child, and a blank application for such purpose is enclosed you herewith, together with an envelope for return of the same, when properly executed.

The Commission has received information that the mother of said child has died since the time she was listed for enrollment.

You are therefore requested to sign the "affidavit of mother" and procure the affidavit of the attending physician or mid-wife.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 28, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chectaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Chectaw freedman enrollment card, number 1226, Hattie Graham, et al., and to the duplicate thereof in your possession, you are advised that the following notation has this day been placed upon said card:

"No. 3 born March 22, 1899; proof of birth filed, March 28, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon the duplicate of the corresponding number.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Waskagoo, Indian Territory, March 22, 1904.

Gilbert Graham,

Doakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Mary Gross, relative to the birth of your minor son, Robert Graham, March 22, 1899, and the same have been filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 15, 1904.

Gilbert Graham,

Spencerville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 31, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to the approval of the enrollment of your wife, Hattie Graham, deceased, and her minor children, Henry Lee, Robert and Isom Graham. You also ask if you can be appointed guardian of said children.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the enrollment of Hattie Graham, and her children, Henry Lee and Isom Graham, as Choctaw freedmen has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior and the name of Robert Graham has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that the matter of the appointment of guardians of minor children does not come within the jurisdiction of the Commission and it is therefore impracticable to give you any information on this subject. You are informed, however, that the Commission requires that persons desiring to represent citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations in the capacity of guardians and administrators shall be appointed by the United

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States Courts in Indian Territory.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-19* 1899.

Name *Hattie Graham*

Choctaw? County *Chickasaw* *Townson* Year No. *1500*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Friedman*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                     |        |      |      |                     |
|---------------------|--------|------|------|---------------------|
| <i>Henry Lee</i>    | County | Year | Page | No. <i>292</i>      |
| <i>Ralph Graham</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>new born</i> |
|                     | County | Year | Page | No.                 |
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Received  
from March 20, 1901.

John Nicholas Westman and + 422  
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Choctaw Fr. 1227

Robert Jackson

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FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Robert Jackson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikehi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, at al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Robert Jackson.

Q. How old are you? A. 22

Q. Who was your mother? A. Julia Ann Jackson.

Q. Was your mother a slave? A. Yes sir. I think she was a Chickasaw.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Surena Jackson.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. A. Her mother was Malinda Williams, and she belonged to Henry Folsom's wife.

Q. How old is Surena? A. 23.

Q. Is there any body here who knows your wife? A. Yes sir, Mitchell Willis.

Mitchell Willis being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Robert Jackson.

Q. What is your name? A. Mitchell Willis.

Q. How old are you? A. 52.

Q. Do you know Surena Williams? A. Yes sir.

Q. Whose slave was her mother? A. Henry Folsom's she was his individual property.

Q. Is Surena Williams married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who to? A. This boy here, Robert Jackson.

Re-examination of Robert Jackson continued.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir. Laura and Tom, my step children.

Mitchell Willis recalled.

Q. Do you know how many children Surena has? A. She has two.



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Q/ What are their names? A. I don't know their names.

Q. The youngest one is a baby is it? A. A. It must be about two years old.

Q. Did she have it before she married this man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know these two children to be hers? A. Yes sir, they are hers.

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(Enrolled Robert Jackson as ~~Shantaw~~ Freedman, and his wife and two children as Choctaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my oath as  
stenographer to above now to be true that this  
translation is a true and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Miley

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

*Ernest Jackson*  
as a citizen of

Nation.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Emit Jackson born on the 27 day of Aug, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Robert Jackson, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Serrenia Jackson, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Brooksville, Fla.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
District. }

I, Serrenia Jackson, on oath state that I am 26  
years of age and a citizen, by Adaptin, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Robert Jackson, who is a citizen, by  
Adaptin, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a male child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 27 day of Aug, 1901, that said child has been  
named Emit Jackson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses) }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept, 1901.

R. G. Carth  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
District. }

I, Missie Christia, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Serrenia Jackson, wife of Robert Jackson,  
on the 27 day of Aug, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Emit Jackson.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses) }

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of Sept, 1901.

R. G. Carth  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

*for*

**IN RE**  
**Application for Enrollment of**  
**MINOR CHILD**

Act of Congress Approved  
April 20, 1906.

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*Gommie Mellea*.....

as a citizen of

*Choctaw Freedmen* Nation.

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*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

*Application made for*  
*enrollment of child*  
*April 19. 1899.*

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 20, 1906.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Tommy Williams born on the 14 day of Dec 1896  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Henry Willis a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Serena Jackson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Tribal enrollment of father: Tribal enrollment of mother:  
 Postoffice Fort Saco, Ok.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.I, Ida Adkins, on oath state that I am 20years of age and a citizen of the Choctaw Nation;acquainted with Serena Jackson, now dead, who wasthat I am the lawful wife of Robert Jackson, and who, who is a citizen byChoctaw and had female child wasborn to me on about 14<sup>th</sup> day of December 1896; that said child has been namedchild Tommy Williams and was living March 4, 1906; that this is an illegitimate child & Henry Willis is said to be the father Ida Adkins.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Jan 1907.

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.I, Mary Gross, a mid-wife, on oath state that Iattended on Serena Jackson, wife ofon the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Dec 1896; that there was born to her on said date a femalechild; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named Tommy Williams;that said child is illegitimate, and Henry Willis is said to be the father;

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 31<sup>st</sup> day of Jan 1907.

Notary Public.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

~~MINOR CHILD~~

~~Act of Congress Approved~~

~~April 26, 1906~~

*Tommy Williams*

as a citizen of

*Cherokee* Nation.

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Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 20, 1906.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Jimmie Williams, born on the 14 day of December 1896  
[Here insert name of child]  
Name of Father: Robert Jackson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
Name of Mother: Sirena Jackson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Tribal enrollment of father: Choctaw Tribal enrollment of mother: Choctaw  
Postoffice: Fairbairn S. D.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Sirena Jackson, on oath state that I am 27 years  
years of age and a citizen by Adoption of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Robert Jackson, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
[Male or Female]  
born to me on 14 day of December, 1896; that said child has been named  
Jimmie Williams, and was living March 4, 1906.

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WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two Witnesses] { .....

Subscribed and sworn to before me this ..... day of ..... 1906.

Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

Central District.

I, Mary Gross, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Sirena Jackson, wife of Robert Jackson,  
on the 14 day of Dec, 1896; that there was born to her on said date a Female  
[Male or Female]  
child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named Jimmie  
Williams her mark  
Mary x Gross

WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two Witnesses] { John W. Bales  
Mrs. J. L. Bales

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19 day of May, 1906.

Thomas Fennell  
Notary Public.

**IN RE**  
**Application for Enrollment of**  
**MINOR CHILD**

Act of Congress Approved  
 April 28, 1906.

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 as a citizen of

..... Nation.

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 Commissioner.

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ENROLLMENT OF MINORS. ACT OF CONGRESS, APPROVED APRIL 20, 1906.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Tommy Williams, born on the 14 day of Dec 1896  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Henry Willis a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Serena Jackson a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Tribal enrollment of father. Tribal enrollment of mother.  
 Postoffice: Fort Lawton, Ark.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

District.

I, \_\_\_\_\_, on oath state that I am \_\_\_\_\_  
 years of age and a citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of \_\_\_\_\_ who is a citizen, by  
 \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation; that a \_\_\_\_\_ child was  
 (Male or Female)  
 born to me on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 18\_\_\_\_; that said child has been named  
 \_\_\_\_\_ and was living March 4, 1906.

## WITNESSES TO MARK.

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1906.

Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, Indian Territory,

District.

I, George Williams, on oath state that I am

acquainted with Serena Jackson, now dead  
about 14th day of December 1896 and know that  
that there was born to her on said date a female  
 (Male or Female)

child; that said child was living March 4, 1906, and is said to have been named Tommy Williams; that  
said child is illegitimate, and Henry Willis is said to be the father.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

[Must be Two  
Witnesses]

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1906.

Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD.

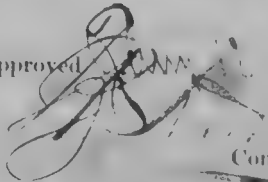
Olta Jackson

As a citizen of the

United States

Nation.

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Commissioner.

## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chactaw* Nation,  
 of *Etta Jackson*, born on the *27* day of *Septemb.*, 18*99*.  
 Name of father: *Robert Jackson*, a citizen of the *Chactaw* Nation.  
 Name of mother: *Susanna Jackson*, a citizen of the *Chactaw* Nation.  
 Post Office: *Doaksville Ind. Ter.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
*Central* District. }

I, *Susanna Jackson*, on oath, state that I am *23* years of age and a citizen, by *Blood Adaption* of the *Chactaw* Nation; that I am the lawful wife of *Robert Jackson*, who is a citizen, by *Blood Adaption* of the *Chactaw* Nation; that a *girl* child was born to me on the *27* day of *Sept.*, 18*99*; that said child has been named *Etta Jackson*, and is now living.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16th* day of *October*, 18*99*.  
*R. G. Carter*  
 Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
 INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
*Central* District. }

I, *Eddie Williams*, a *Midwife*, on oath, state that I attended on Mrs. *Susanna Jackson*, wife of *Robert Jackson*, on the *27* day of *Sept.*, 18*99*; that there was born to her on said date a *girl* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named *Etta Jackson*.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16th* day of *Oct.*, 18*99*.  
*R. G. Carter*  
 Notary Public.

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Waukegon, Indian Territory, October 2, 1902.

Robert Jackson,

Beakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 30th ultimo, enclosing the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Edith Jackson, infant son of Robert and Serena Jackson, born November 27, 1901; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 12, 1903.

Robert Jackson,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 7th inst., stating that your wife, Serena Jackson, is a Choctaw freedman, and that you have been informed her two children, Laura Young and Thomas Willis, are on the roll as Chickasaw freedmen. You further request to be advised if you can file on allotments for your wife and her children at Atoka or Tishomingo.

You are informed it appears from our records that Robert Jackson, his wife Serena and her minor children, Laura and Tommie Williams, Etta and Elmit Jackson are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw freedmen, but their rights to enrollment as such have not yet been determined by the Commission. In this connection you are advised that under the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and designation of homesteads, only citizens or freedmen whose enrollment as such has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior can be permitted to select allotments.

It is believed that the persons named herein are those concerning whom your inquiry is made. If not, a further communica-

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tion relative thereto will receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Robert Jackson,

Deakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your stepdaughter, Tommie Williams, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, you should immediately furnish the Commission with an affidavit as to the birth of said child, a blank for that purpose being herewith enclosed.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your prompt attention as until this proof of birth is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your said stepdaughter as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Rev.

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 5, 1904.

Robert Jackson,

Doakville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 25, relative to your enrollment and asking if you can file as guardian for your two children and two children of your wife, Serena Jackson, now deceased, by a former husband, as you have been appointed guardian for said children.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of Robert Jackson and Serena Jackson, and their children, Laura and Tommie Williams and Etta and Emit Jackson have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which is being prepared for forwarding to the secretary of the Interior. It is suggested that you communicate with the Commission again in about two months and you will then be informed whether or not your enrollment has been approved.

Relative to the selection of allotments for your minor children and stepchildren your attention is invited to section eight of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations copy of which is herewith inclosed.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1227.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 24, 1904.

Robert Jackson,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Tommie Williams as a Choctaw Freedman, you were advised on January 25, 1904, that it would be necessary to furnish proof of the birth of said child, and that Serena Jackson was her mother. You have as yet failed to furnish such proof.

You are again advised, before the Commission can pass on the application of Tommie Williams for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, it will be necessary to furnish the evidence above referred to. The mother of said child being dead you should secure the affidavits of two disinterested parties who knew of their own knowledge that Serena Jackson was the mother of said child.

Enclosed you will find blank forms for the affidavits herein referred to, which you should have properly executed at once, and return same to the Commission.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 21, 1903.

Robert Jackson,

Sawyer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Tommie Williams as a Choctaw freedman, you were advised on January 25, 1904 and again on March 24, 1904, that it would be necessary to furnish proof of the birth of said child, and that Serena Jackson was her mother. You have as yet failed to furnish such proof.

You are again advised, before this office can pass on the application of Tommie Williams for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, it will be necessary to furnish the evidence above referred to. The mother of said child being dead you should secure the affidavits of two disinterested parties who know of their own knowledge that Serena Jackson was the mother of said child.

Inclosed you will find blank forms for the affidavits herein referred to, which you should have properly executed at once, and return same to this office.

Respectfully,

Inc. B A

Acting Commissioner.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 22, 1905.

Robert Jackson,

Sawyer, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Tommie Williams as a Choctaw freedman, you were advised on January 25, 1904 and again on March 24, 1904, that it would be necessary to furnish proof of the birth of said child, and that Serena Jackson was her mother, but no such evidence has yet been received.

You are again advised, that before this office can pass on the application of Tommie Williams for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, it will be necessary to furnish the evidence above referred to. The mother of said child being dead you should secure the affidavits of two disinterested parties who know of their own knowledge that Serena Jackson was the mother of said child.

Inclosed you will find a blank for the affidavit of the physician or midwife at the birth of said child, which you should have properly executed and returned to this office at once together with the affidavits of two disinterested witnesses above referred to.

Respectfully,

Inc. B.C.

Acting Commissioner.

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MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4 - 19 1899.

Name Robt Jackson  
 Choctaw? County Cedar Choctaw nation Year No. 2015  
 Chickasaw? yes County Year Page  
 Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing  
 Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw nation  
 Married under what law?

License filed this day,  
 Wife's name Serena Jackson or nee as Serena Williams  
 Choctaw? yes County Cedar Year No. 3457  
 Chickasaw? County Year Page  
 Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?  
 Married under what law?  
 License filed this day

Names of children:

|                       |                |      |      |                        |
|-----------------------|----------------|------|------|------------------------|
| <u>Laura Williams</u> | <u>Choctaw</u> | Year | Page | No. <u>3455</u>        |
|                       | County         |      |      |                        |
| <u>Tom Williams</u>   | <u>Choctaw</u> | Year | Page | No. <u>not on roll</u> |
|                       | County         |      |      |                        |
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Minerva McChristian

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FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Minerva McChristian, to the Commission to the five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Minerva McChristian.

Q. What is your age? A. About 37 as near as I can tell.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Mitchell.

Q. How long have you been married? A. About five years.

Q. Were you a slave? A. My mother was.

Q. Who was her master. A. Henry Folsom.

Q. Did she belong to him or his wife? A. To his wife.

Q. What was she? A. A chickasaw.

Q. The first time you were married, who did you marry? A. Mr. Mitchell, and the next time I married, I married Mr. McChristian.

Q. Is Mr. McChristian a non-citizen? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you any children? Yes sir?

Q. What are their names? A. Roxy, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore Mitchell.

Q. Are these children living at home with you? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are they all your children? A. Yes sir, by my first husband

Q. What is your mother's name? A. Mahaley.

Q. Did she belong to Henry Folsom's wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was she? A. Chickasaw.

Pink Thompson, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Minerva McChristian.

Q. What is your name? A. Pink Thompson.

Q. Do you know this woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Mahaley.

Q. Whose slave was she, Henry Folsom's or his wife's? A. I guess

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she belonged to his wife.

Q. What was Henry Polson's wife? A. She was a Chickasaw.

Q. Are you certain that she belonged to his wife? A. It is the general understanding that they were drawn from old Pittman Colbert.

(Enrolled Minerva McChristian and Six children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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 ACTING CHAIRMAN



# MARRIAGE LICENSE.

No. [REDACTED]

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
THE INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT. } SS.

To Any Person Authorized by Law to Solemnize Marriage—Greeting:

*You are hereby commanded to solemnize  
the Rite and publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between  
Mrs. [REDACTED]  
of [REDACTED] in the Indian Territory, aged [REDACTED]  
years, and Mr. [REDACTED]  
of [REDACTED] in the Indian Territory, aged [REDACTED]  
years, according to law, and do you officially sign and return this  
License to the parties therein named.*

WITNESS My hand and official seal, this [REDACTED] day of [REDACTED] A.D. [REDACTED]

Deputy

Clerk of the United States Court.

## CERTIFICATE OF MARRIAGE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
CENTRAL DISTRICT. } SS.

I, *Alford Gross*  
a *Minister of the Gospel*

do hereby CERTIFY, that on the *12* day of *June* A.D. *1900*  
I did duly and according to law, as commanded in the foregoing License, solemnize the Rite and  
publish the BANS OF MATRIMONY between the parties therein named.

Witness my hand this *19* day of *June* A.D. *1900*

My credentials are recorded in the office of the Clerk of the United States Court in the  
Indian Territory, Central District, Book *B*, Page *234*

*Alford Gross*  
a *Minister*

NOTICE: This Certificate of Marriage must be returned to the Office of the Clerk of the United States Court of the Indian Territory,  
from whence issued, within sixty days from the date thereof, or the party to whom the License was issued will be liable in the amount of One  
Hundred Dollars (\$100.00).

*Subscribed and sworn before me this 20th day of June A.D. 1902*

*Terence J. [REDACTED]*

COMMISSIONERS

HENRY L. DAWES.  
TAMM BIXBY.  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES.  
C. R. BRICKNIDGE.

ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH.  
SECRETARY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 20, 1901.

Thomas Fennel,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 14th instant, enclosing the application for enrollment as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation of Otta May Brunner the infant daughter of Dan and Rosie Brunner, born May 31, 1901, and also enclosing the marriage license and certificate between Dan Brunner and Rosa Jackson.

The application for the enrollment of Otta May Brunner and the evidence of marriage enclosed in your letter, are returned to you herewith for the reason that the Commission is unable to identify the mother of this child as listed for enrollment.

You state in your letter that her maiden name was Rosie Jackson and that she was enrolled at Alichí. You are requested to state the time she made application for enrollment, whether for enrollment as a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations, whether she made such application in person and any other information you may have that will identify her as listed for enrollment.

Upon receipt of the information requested above and

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the return of the papers enclosed herewith, the matter will be given further consideration.

Yours truly,



Acting Chairman.

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COMMISSIONERS  
HENRY L. DAWES,  
TAMM BIXBY,  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,  
C. R. BRECKINRIDGE

ALLISON L. AYLESWORTH,  
SECRETARY.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

ADDRESS ONLY THE  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 7, 1902.

Thomas Fennell,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3rd instant, returning the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Otta May Brunner, the infant daughter of Dan and Rosie Brunner, born May 31, 1900, and also the marriage license and certificate of Dan Brunner and Rosa Jackson, together with our letter of November 20, 1901, addressed to you relative to this matter.

The enclosures of your letter of the 3rd instant are now returned to you with the information that the Commission is still unable to identify Rosa Brunner, the mother of this child as having been listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation under her married name of Brunner or her maiden name of Jackson.

It will be necessary before this matter can receive the consideration of the Commission that the mother of this child, Rosa Brunner, be duly identified as listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation and for this purpose you are requested to furnish all the available information you may have relative to

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Rosa Brunner. If she has been listed for enrollment by this Commission as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation, have her state clearly and definitely the time and place she made such application, whether she was married at that time, and if so her married name, under what name she applied for enrollment, the names of other members of her family making application at the same time and such other information as she may be able to give relative to such application.

When the mother of this child has been duly identified upon the records of this office as being listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation, the application for the enrollment of the child will be given proper consideration.

Yours truly,



Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory. December 18, 1908.

Thomas Pennell,

Docksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 3d inst., enclosing application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Otta May Brunner, infant daughter of Dan and Rosie Brunner, born May 31, 1902; and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the marriage license and certificate between Dan Brunner and Rosa Jackson, and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as authority for the change of the name of Rosa Brunner on our records from her former name to her present married name.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.



Chas. Freeman

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1225-1231.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 28, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Doakville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Pink Thompson, Mary Cross, Iaham Jackson and Minerva Christian, and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mary Cross and her granddaughter, Curbelia Brown; Iaham Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chas. Freeman, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and their children, Emma Hampton, Edy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and their grandsons, Lyina Hampton; Minerva McChristian and her minor children, Mary Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner; Jack Thompson and his children, Jewish

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and Lucinda Thompson, are applicants to this Commission for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-19 1899.

Name Minerva M Christian on roll as Minerva M Christian  
Choctaw? County Town Year No. 2533

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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| Rosy Mitchell | Chickasaw | Year | Page | No. 2428 |
| Mary "        | County 4  | Year | Page | No. 2429 |
| Herby "       | County 9  | Year | Page | No. 2430 |
| Lilla "       | County 11 | Year | Page | No. 2431 |
| Tenn "        | County 1  | Year | Page | No. 2432 |
| Edmon "       | County 11 | Year | Page | No. 2433 |
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## Application for Enrollment of INFANT CHILD

Chas. J. ...  
as a citizen of

Wm. J. L. L.

## Nations

Approved, DEC 10 1982

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Atta May Brunner born on the 31 day of May, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Ivan Brunner, a citizen of the U. S. Nation.  
Name of Mother: Rosie Brunner, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Idaville and Tex

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Rosa Brunner, on oath state that I am 22  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Ivan Brunner, who is a citizen, by  
blood of the U. S. Nation, that a female child was  
(male or female.)  
born to me on the 31st day of May, 1901 that said child has been  
named Atta May Brunner, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Rosa Brunner her mark  
Alford Gross

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of April, 1901.

Thomas Fennell  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Mary Gross, a midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Rosa Brunner, wife of Ivan Brunner,  
on the 31st day of May, 1901 that there was born to her on  
said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female.)  
named Atta May Brunner.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Mary Gross her mark  
Alford Gross

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of April, 1901.

Thomas Fennell  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

Choctaw Fr. 1229

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Fr. 1229



## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Minerva McCulloch, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Minerva McCulloch?

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Minerva S Simpson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 33.

Q. Were you born since the war? A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you a slave? A. I don't know sir. I lived with people that was free.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Malinda Jones.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. I don't know that, they was free when I was born.

Q. Do you live in Texas now? A. No sir.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know this woman? A. Yes sir, her mother was freed under Susan Jones, they belong to the Chickasaws. Her mother was a slave and her daddy was a white man.

Q. Do you know whether Robt. Jones owned this woman's mother?  
A. They come through his wife. This woman's mother's name was Malinda, but they all sprung from the Colberts.

Minerva McCulloch reexamined.

Q. Have you any children? A. No sir, but I have an adopted child.

Q. Is its mother living? A. Yes sir.

Q. Well its mother will have to register it.  
(Minerva McCulloch enrolled as Chickasaw Freedman)

Clerk.

No. 4472 1297



Before me, Judge of the County or District Court, Regularly Licensed or Ordained, Minister of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, or Justice, have in and for said County of Red River, Greening:

You are hereby Authorized to solemnize the  
**rites of MATRIMONY**

Between Mr. L. R. Reed  
and Miss Minerva M. Gullett  
and make due return to the Clerk of the County Court of said  
County within sixty days thereafter certifying your action under  
this License.

Geo. H. Wickes

WITNESS my official signature and seal of  
office at office in Clarksville this 26<sup>th</sup>  
day of July A.D. 1902.

Deputy

J. M. Smith  
Clerk of County Court Red River County

I Geo. H. Wickes, hereby certify that  
on the 26<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1902  
I united in Marriage L. R. Reed  
and Minerva M. Gullett the parties above named  
Witness my hand this 26<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1902  
Geo. H. Wickes.

Returned and Filed for Record the

28<sup>th</sup> day of July

A. D. 1902

and Recorded the

day of

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J. M. Smith

Clerk.

By

Deputy.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS.**

County of Red River.

I, *J. M. Smith* County Clerk in and for Red River  
County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a *Marriage*  
*License from (John & William McCallister)*

as appears of record in my office in Vol. *7* on page *385* Record of *Marriage* of said  
county.

Given under my hand and seal of office this the *28<sup>th</sup>* day  
of *July*, 190*2*

*J. M. Smith*

By

*John McCallister*

Deputy.

County Clerk Red River Co., Texas.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory July 15, 1903.

R. H. Hathaway,

Box Number 35,

Colbert, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 29, in which you state that a certain man gave you the privilege of allotting a part of his farm and after waiting until you had built a house upon it he withdrew his offer and took the place without paying you for your work. You therefore ask what you should do in the matter.

In reply to your letter you are informed, that the Commission can not render any opinion relative to the rights of citizens to the possession of particular tracts of lands in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, until application has been made therefor at the land office for the nation in which the land is located, and in the event any other person makes claim to the same land or any portion of it until contest proceedings have been instituted for the possession of said land. If you desire to make application for the land referred to in your letter you should appear at the land office for the nation in which the land is located and make application to select the same in allotment.

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you are informed that it appears from our records that Randolph Hathaway and his daughter Glee Hathaway have been enrolled by this Commission as Chickasaw freedmen and on April 10, 1903 their enrollment was approved by the secretary of the Interior. A ticket of admission to the land office will be furnished you upon written request made therefor.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-19-1899

Name Murva McCullough on roll as Murphy

Choctaw? County Red River Year 1898 No. 3183

Chickasaw? yes County Red River Year 1898 Page 3183

Citizen by blood? yes Mother's citizenship Choctaw

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1230

Emmet Murray

Fr. 1230

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-19* 1892.

Name .....  
Choctaw? ..... County *Red River* Year ..... No. ....  
Chickasaw? *yes* ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....  
Intermarried citizen? .....  
Married under what law? .....  
License filed this day, .....  
Wife's name, .....  
Choctaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... No. ....  
Chickasaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....  
Intermarried citizen? .....  
Married under what law? .....  
License filed this day, .....

Names of children:

*Emmet Murray* County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *2442*  
*Mollie* " County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *2443*  
*Julia* " County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *2444*  
*Isaac* " County ..... Year ..... Page ..... No. *2445*  
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Choctaw Fr. 1231

Gaines Murray

Fr. 1231

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Gaines Murray, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 18th 1899, for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Gaines Murray.

Q. How old are you? A. About 22

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Sally Murray.

Q. Who is your mother? A. Alice Murray.

(Gaines Murray enrolled as Chickasaw Freedman, through his father. Alice Murray, his mother, was bought in the Cherokee Nation, and is not entitled to citizenship in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-19* 1899.

Name *Gaines Murray on roll as James Murray*

Choctaw? County Year No. *2441*

Chickasaw? *yes* County *Red River* Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1232

Richmond Thompson

No. 4 Granted Feb. 9, 1907

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Willie Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

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FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Richmond Thompson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, April 19th, 1899 for enrollment as Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner T. B. Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows

Q. What is your name? A. Richmond Thompson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 25 or 26.

Q. Was your mother a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was her name? A. Silvie Thompson. Her second husband was old man Albert Byrd.

Q. Who was her master? A. I can't tell, old man Byrd can tell better than I can.

Albert Byrd, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Richmond Thompson.

Q. What is your name? A. Albert Byrd.

Q. Do you know this man Richmond Thompson? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was his mother? A. Silvie Thompson.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. First one was old Pameechee, second one was Lateewishee.

Q. Were they Choctaws or Chickasaws? A. Chickasaws.

Richmond Thompson, recalled.

What is your wife's name? A. Sylvana Thompson.

Q. Who was her mother's Master? A. Sim Bird.

Q. Was he Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.

Q. Have you always lived here? A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you born here? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Richmond Thompson and three brothers as Chickasaws, and his wife as Choctaw Freedman) Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. B. Needles*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
Fort Towson, Indian Territory, Jan., 31, 1907.

In the matter of the application for enrollment as a Freedman of the Choctaw Nation of Willie Thompson, card number 1232.

Richmond Thompson being duly sworn testifies as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSIONER:

- Q What is your name? A Richmond Thompson.  
Q How old are you? A I guess I am about 34 years old.  
Q What is your post-office address? A Ft. Towson.  
Q Are you a duly enrolled freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q What is the name of your father? A Wright Thompson.  
Q What is the name of your mother? A Sylvia Thompson.  
Q Have you a brother named Willie Thompson? A Yes sir.  
Q Is he a full brother of yours? A Yes sir.  
Q His father and mother are the same as yours, Wright Thompson and Sylvia Thompson? A Yes sir.  
Q Is Willie living at this time? A Yes sir, the last time I heard of him he was, I saw him about two months ago.  
Q How old is Willie? A Between 18 and 19 years old.  
Q Where is Willie living now? A At Antlers, with his sister.  
Q What is his sister's name? A Mary Beatty.  
Q How long has Willie been living near Antlers? A Some 6 or 9 years I expect.  
Q Where was Willie born? A He was born where I am living now, about a mile from here.  
Q Has he lived continuously in the Choctaw Nation all his life? A Yes sir.  
Q And is now living near Antlers with his sister? A Yes sir.

I Frank L. Doble on oath, state that the above and foregoing is a full, true, and correct transcript of my stenographic notes taken in the above entitled cause at Ft. Towson, Indian Territory on January 31, 1907.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this January 31, 1907.

*Frank L. Doble*  
Notary public.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Willie Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

D E C I S I O N.

It appears from the record herein and from the census card record in this case that on April 19, 1899, application was made to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, Indian Territory, by Richmond Thompson for the enrollment (among others) of himself (twenty-six years of age) and his brother, Willie Thompson (nine years of age), as Choctaw freedmen.

The right of Richmond Thompson to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman has heretofore been determined, his name appearing as No. 4009 upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

The record herein further shows that Willie Thompson is a full brother of the said Richmond Thompson; that he was born in the Choctaw Nation and has resided continuously therein from the date of his birth up to and including September 25, 1902.

I am of the opinion that Willie Thompson should be enrolled as a Choctaw freedman under the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 495), and July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), and it is so ordered.

 Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 9, 1907.

Richmond Thompson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 9, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Willie Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that the name of Willie Thompson will be placed upon the next schedule of Choctaw freedman to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tame Bixby*

Commissioner.

Incl. 17-1232-388

Registered.



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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 9, 1907.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 9, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Willie Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that the name of Willie Thompson will be placed upon the next schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamm Bixby*

Commissioner.

Incl. 17-NB-388.

Registered.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 22, 1905.

Richmond Thompson,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The records of this office show that in 1899 you made application for the enrollment of your brother, Willie Thompson, as a Choctaw freedman, but the evidence is insufficient to determine his rights as such freedman.

You are requested to inform this office as early as possible of the present whereabouts of your said brother, Willie Thompson, with whom he is living and his present post office address returning your reply in the inclosed envelope.

Respectfully,

Env.

Acting Commissioner.

Fred Duran

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-19 1899.

Name Richard Thompson on roll as Richard Thompson

Choctaw? yes County Garson Year 1899 Page 3318

Chickasaw? yes County Garson Year 1899 Page 3318

Citizen by blood? yes Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing in

Intermarried citizen? yes Choctaw Nation

Married under what law? Choctaw Nation

License filed this day, Choctaw Nation

Wife's name, Sylvia Thompson

Choctaw? yes County Garson Year 1899 No. 3319

Chickasaw? yes County Garson Year 1899 Page 3319

Citizen by blood? yes Mother's citizenship Chickasaw

Intermarried citizen? yes

Married under what law? Choctaw Nation

License filed this day, Choctaw Nation

Names of children:

Harrison Thompson County Garson Year 1899 Page 3320 No. 3320

Hayes County Garson Year 1899 Page 3321 No. 3321

Willie County Garson Year 1899 Page 3370 No. 3370

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Choctaw Fr. 1233

Wash Guess

Fr. 1233

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Wash Guess, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 19th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Wash Guess?

Q. How old are you? A. About 45.

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Alfred Murray.

Q. Was he a white man or an Indian? A. He was a white man.

Q. Do you know his wife Amelia? A. Yes sir.

Q. Was she an Indian? A. She was a Chickasaw.

Q. You belonged to Mr. Murray? A. I belonged to his wife.

Q. Where have you been since the war? A. I stayed in Texas. about five years, but came back before the adoption. I went over there when I was quite small. I reckon it was about ten years after the surrender..

Q. How long have you been back in the Territory? A. About eighteen years.

Q. You have been living here for the last eighteen years? A. Yes sir, right here, in Red River County.

Q. Have you got a wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is her name? A. Sarah Guess.

Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. What are the names of your children? A. Ella and Johnnie

Q. Do you know any of Alfred Murray's boys? A. Yes sir, I knew Leverett and Henry.

Q. Do you know any of Judge Murray's boys? A. I have got hold of the wrong Murray I guess, I belonged to Amelia.

Q. Where did they live at? A. The other side of Clarksville, Texas.

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Q. Who was your father? A. Andrew Guess.

Andrew Guess, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Andrew Guess.

Q. Whose boy is this? A. My boy.

Q. Did Alfred Murray own him? A. Yes sir.

Q. Didn't he used to belong to Elisha Guess? A. No sir.

Q. You used to belong to Alfred Murray ~~nicknam~~? A. Yes sir,  
this man was a boy at the time of the war..

Q. This is your own boy is he? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Wash Guess and two children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

4-19-99  
Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. C. Smith



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Muskegee, Indian Territory, August 30, 1901.

Mr. Wash Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 24th instant, stating that you were a Chickasaw freedman and desired to be informed if you would be safe in improving a claim and erecting buildings thereon.

Your attention is called to a provision in the Atoka Agreement which reads as follows:

"That the said Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen who may be entitled to allotment of forty acres each, shall be entitled each to land equal in value to forty acres of average land of the two Nations" and "That each member of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Tribes, including Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen, shall, where it is possible, have the right to take his allotment on land, the improvements on which belong to him, and such improvements shall not be estimated in the value of his allotment."

It is impossible at this time to inform you when an allotment office will be established in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country for the purpose of allowing the citizens of those two nations to make selection of and file upon their prospective allotments, but there appears to be no reason why a Chickasaw freedman may not occupy and improve land to the extent of his prospective allotment.

Yours truly,

Chickasaw Freedmen  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 12, 1903.

Wash Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 3rd, in which you state that a certain man is claiming a part of the land which you desire to select in allotments for yourself and family. You further ask if you should have a surveyor locate your land before you appear at the land office to make application for allotments.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Wash Guess and his children Ella and Johnnie Guess have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen now being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. Relative to the selection of your allotments at this time, your attention is invited to Section 15 of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Selection of Allotments and the Designation of Homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

You are further advised that it is expected that citizens and freedmen will be informed as to the location of the land which they desire to select in allotments at the time they make application therefor at the land offices for the nation in which their land

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is located. If you will furnish a correct description of the land which you desire to select in allotments for yourself and family, proper notation will be made thereof upon our records and you will be notified in the event that any other citizen or freedman makes application to select the same land or any portion of it and you will be permitted to institute contest proceedings for the possession of said land.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Rules for allotment.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 25, 1904.

Wash Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 19th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and children.

You are informed it appears from our records that Wash Guess and his minor children, Ella and Johnnie Guess, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

Date)

*4-19*

1899.

Name

*Wash Guess*

Choctaw ?

County

*Red River*

Year

No.

*1535*

Chickasaw ?

County

Year

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

*Chickasaw*

*residing*

Intermarried citizen ?

*in Choctaw County*

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Ella Guess* *Chickasaw*  
*Johnnie* *do*

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Choctaw Fr. 1234

Caroline Butler

Fr. 1234



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Waskagee, Indian Territory, July 19, 1904.

Caroline Butler,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 13th inst., requesting to be advised relative to your enrollment.

You are informed it appears from our records that Caroline Butler has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Chectaw Freedman, her enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

F. J. Duman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-19 1899.

Name Mason Butler  
Choctaw? yes County Red River Year ..... No. not in roll  
Chickasaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship Choctaw  
Intermarried citizen? .....  
Married under what law? .....  
License filed this day .....  
Wife's name, Caroline Butler  
Choctaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... No. not in roll  
Chickasaw? yes County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing  
Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation  
Married under what law? .....  
License filed this day .....

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1235

Andy Guess, Jr.

Fr. 1235

FRONT PAGE

In the matter of the application of Andrew Guess, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikohi, April 20th, 1899 for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman: Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Andrew Guess.

Q. How old are you? A. 48

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name. A. Ann Guess.

Q. Is she a citizen? A. No sir, state woman.

Q. Got any children? A. No sir.

Andrew Guess, Sr., being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Andrew Guess.

Q. Is this man your son? A. Yes sir.

Q. Was this one of the boys you had while you lived with Alfred Murray? A. Yes sir.

Q. He was with you at the time Alfred Murray turned them loose?  
A. Yes sir.

Q. Your wife belonged to Alfred Murray did she? A. Yes sir.

(Andrew Guess enrolled as Chickasaw)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*H. A. Shirley*

17-1235

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 4, 1904.

Andy Guess, Jr.,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of October 30, 1904, in which you give the names of your parents and state that you desire to take your allotment in the Choctaw Nation.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the information contained therein is sufficient to identify you as having been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw freedman, and your enrollment as such was approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

If you desire to select in allotment the land referred to in your letter it will be necessary for you to appear before the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka, Indian Territory, for that purpose.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Manages, Indian Territory, April 6, 1907.

Jeash Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 30, 1907, in which you state that the members of Edmond Jackson's family are Edward Jackson Jr., Jesse Jackson, Joe Jackson, Sarah Guess, Wash Guess, John Guess, Ella Guess, Virgie Butler, Juda Butler, Henry Goodlew and Andy Guess, Sr. and that they were enrolled by Edmond Jackson.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Edward Jackson has been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 11, 1903.

You are further advised that on March 6, 1904, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of Joe Jackson, Jesse Jackson and Virgie Butler as Choctaw freedmen.

You are informed that Ella Guess, Johnnie Guess, Andy Guess Jr. and Henry Goodlew have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.



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Washington, Indian Territory, April 8, 1907.

Joseph Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 30, 1907, in which you state that the members of Edward Jackson's family are Edward Jackson Jr., Jesse Jackson, Joe Jackson, Sarah Guess, Wash Guess, John Guess, Ella Guess, Virgie Butler, Frank Butler, Henry Goodlow and Andy Guess, Sr. and that they were enrolled by Edward Jackson.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Edward Jackson was once enrolled as a Choctaw Freedman and his enrollment was approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 11, 1905.

You are further advised that on March 5, 1906, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of Joe Jackson, Jesse Jackson and Virgie Butler as Choctaw Freedmen.

You are informed that Ella Guess, Johnnie Guess, Andy Guess Jr. and Henry Goodlow have been enrolled as Choctaw Freedmen and their enrollment was approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 20, 1906.

You are further advised that the information contained in your letter is not sufficient to enable this office to identify Sarah Stone or Jack Miller as applicants for enrollment in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-20* 1899.

Name *Andy Guss Jr.*

Choctaw? *Red River* County *Choctaw Nation* Year *1537* No.

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1236

Douglas Jones

Fr. 1236

*Substitute*

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 10, 1904.

Missie Morgan,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of recent date, stating that your mother, Annie Smith died December 26, 1888, and that your uncle, Ephraim Jones had two children whose names were Belle and Douglas Jones, who are also dead and you request to be advised if you can select their allotments.

You are informed that the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, September 25, 1902, provides, that no allotment of land and other tribal property shall be made to any person, or to the heirs of any person who died prior to the date of the final ratification of said Act of Congress.

If you will state the date of the death of Belle Jones and that of Douglas Jones, you will be further advised in the matter.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-1236

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 14, 1904.

Lizzie Morgan,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Information has reached this office relative to the death of Belle and Douglas Jones, minor children of Ephraim Jones, deceased, and for the purpose of making the death of these children a matter of record there are herewith enclosed two blanks for proof of death, which you are requested to have executed and return to this office.

You will note that there is a blank for a relative and an acquaintance. Both of these should be carefully filled out, all names written in full, and in the event either of the parties making affidavit are unable to write and their signatures are by mark, such signatures must be witnessed by two disinterested persons.

The notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged must affix his notarial jurat and seal to each separate affidavit.

An envelope for the return of the affidavits is herewith enclosed.

Respectfully,

J. D. D. & Env.

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 23, 1904.

Lizzie Morgan,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and the affidavit of Sam Luney relative to the death of Douglass Jones, a Choctaw freedman, June 10, 1899. Receipt is also acknowledged of your affidavit and the affidavit of Sam Luney to the death of Belle Jones, a Choctaw freedman, July 18, 1899.

These affidavits, being in proper form, have been filed with our records as evidence of death of the above named persons.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date)

1899.

Name

Choctaw ? County Year No.  
Chickasaw ? County Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ? County Year No.  
Chickasaw ? County Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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| <i>Charles James</i> | County <i>Red River</i> | Year | Page | No. <i>2057</i> |
| <i>Belle James</i>   | County <i>Red River</i> | Year | Page | No. <i>2073</i> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1237

Nip Tucker

Record Transferred from Chickasaw

Freedman #1154

Fr. 1237

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Nip Tucker, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Nip Tucker.

Q. How old are you? A. 45

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir, I reckon I was.

Q. Who was your master? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Was he a Chickasaw or Choctaw? A. I don't know, what tribe he was, I was supposed to be a Choctaw.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Rachael.

Q. Rachael who? A. Rachael Jones I suppose.

Q. You don't know whether you belonged to Jones or his wife then? A. No sir.

Q. Where have you been living since the war? A. All the time right here.

Q. Never did move to Texas? A. No sir.

Q. Have you got a wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is her name? A. Lou Tucker.

Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, but they are all married.

Q. Does Any body here know you? A. Yes sir.

Phil Shoals being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Wipashakum. Phil Shoals.

Q. Do you know Nip Tucker? A. Yes sir.

Q. Whose slave was he? A. Col. Jones.

Q. Did he belong to him or his wife? A. To his wife I reckon.

Q. You are satisfied this man belonged to the Jones Family?

A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Nip Tucker as Chickasaw Freedman).

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 10, 1902.

W. P. Stewart,

Antlers, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 8th instant, in which you desire to be advised what course Eliza Smith or Eliza Tucker, should pursue in order to be enrolled as a Chickasaw freedman.

You state that her father made application to this Commission in 1898 for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman and you desire to be advised if he is listed for enrollment.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that on November 20, 1899, Hip Tucker, 45 years of age, was listed for enrollment by this Commission as a Chickasaw freedman.

No application has ever been made by any person by the name of Eliza Smith or Eliza Tucker for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman and if this woman desires to make such application she will be heard upon her personal appearance before the Commission at one of the appointments specified in the circular enclosed you herewith.

Respectfully,

Enc. circular

Acting Chairman.



# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20

1899.

Name *Nip Tucker*

Choctaw ?

County

*Adair*

Year

No.

*3341*

Chickasaw ?

County

*Adair*

Year

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

*Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen ?

*in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

Year

Page

Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

County

Year

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Choctaw Fr. 1238

Manuel McGee

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Manuel McGee, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Manuel McGee.

Q. How old are you? A. About 38.

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Col. Jones.

Q. Did you belong to him, or Miss Susan? Ans. I was raised by them.

Q. Were they Choctaws or Chickasaws. A. The Colonel was a Choctaw.

Q. Where have you been since the war? A. In Red River County

Q. Did you ever live in Texas? A. No sir.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Got any children? A. Yes sir, three, Josephine, Rachael, and Julia.

(Manuel McGee and three children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Phillip Shoals being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Manuel McGee.

Q. Do you know this man Manuel McGee? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did he belong to Susie or Col. Jones? A. He belonged to Susan.

Q. Was she a Chickasaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. The boy never was sold was he? A. No sir.

Q. You know his children? A. Yes sir, he has three.

Q. Is his wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Manuel McGee, #2

Q. Was he married to that woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you see them married? A. No sir.

Q. Do you know who married them? A. Yes sir, a fellow named Sam Walters, a preacher.

Q. Was this boy's mother turned loose at the time you were?

A. Yes sir.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know Manuel McGee? A. Yes sir.

Q. Was he born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Whose slave was he? A. Col. Jones.

Q. Did he belong to Col. Jones, or Miss Susie? A. He belonged to Miss Susie's side, I know all of Jones' people.

Q. You think this man belonged to Susan's side? A. Yes sir, he certainly does.

(Enrolled as Chickasaws)

Department of the Interior  
Commissioner of the General Land Office

I hereby certify, under my official oath as  
stenographer, that the foregoing transcription of this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

State of Kansas  
County of Little River 3.

I Phil Shoals being  
duly sworn, according to law,  
this is to certify that I am an  
eye witness to the marriage of Manuel  
McGuire and Frances McGuire hereby certify  
that the said Manuel McGuire & Frances McGuire  
has been living together as man and wife  
5<sup>th</sup> day of March 1885 to the present date  
Phil Shoals.  
Notary

Sworn and Subscribed  
to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup>  
day of Feb 1904

W. B. Schofield

Notary Public

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Expire Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1907

State of Kansas  
County of Lawrence

I Ben Smith being  
duly sworn according to Law.  
This is to certify that I was eye  
witness to the Marriage of Maude  
McGuire & Francis McGuire. I further certify  
that the said Maude McGuire and  
Francis McGuire has lived together  
as Man and wife since & day of  
9th March 1885 to the present date  
Ben<sup>his</sup> Smith  
more

Sworn and Subscribed  
to before me this 22<sup>nd</sup> day  
of Feb 1904

A. D. Schoolfield  
Notary Public  
Comm expires Sept 11<sup>th</sup> 1907



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Manuel McGee,

Tanis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Josephine, Rachel and Julia McGee, as Choctaw freedmen, it will be necessary that the Commission be supplied with evidence of your marriage to your wife, Frances McGee, the mother of these children.

Such evidence may consist either of your original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavit of two disinterested persons, who know that you and your said wife were married and that you have since your marriage lived together as husband and wife.

Please give this matter your prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 26, 1904.

Manuel McGee,

Indian, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Phil  
Speals and Ben Smith, relative to the marriage between yourself and  
Frances McGee, and the same have been duly filed with the records  
of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment  
of yourself and three minor children, Josephine, Rachel and Julia  
McGee as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Mannul M Lee on roll as Mannul M Lee

Choctaw? County Red River Choctaw Year No. 2547

Chickasaw? Yes County Year Page

~~Citizen by blood?~~ Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Josephine M Lee County Chickasaw Year Page No. Not in roll  
Rachael " County " Year Page No. " "  
Julia " County " Year Page No. " "

County Year Page No.  
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Choctaw Fr. 1239

Henry Goodlow

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Henry Goodlow, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikohi, I.T., April 20th, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn and Examined by Commissioner Needles, he testified as follows:-

- Q. What is your name ? A. Henry Goodlow.
- Q. How old are you? A. 49.
- Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What was your master's name? A. Alfred Murray.
- Q. What was his wife's name? A. Minnie Murray.
- Q. Was she a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Chickasaw.
- Q. Where you been living ever since the war? A. Down here in Red River County.
- Q. Been living here in the Choctaw Nation all the time? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Have you got a wife? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What is her name? A. Francis.
- Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.
- Q. What are the names of your children? A. Willie, Pearly and Lucy.

Andrew Guess, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Andrew Guess.
- Q. Whose boy is this? A. My wife's child.
- Q. We want to know from you how he got on the roll as Henry Goodlow. A. Before I married his own mother, they lived in Texas with my mistress' sister. This boy's mother lived with them. We moved off of the river, and that's why he come to be a Goodlow. In the division of the property this boy was a Goodlow, and Alfred Murray inherited him as a Goodlow.
- Q. You were turned loose there on Red River? A. Yes sir.
- (Enrolled Henry Goodlow and 2 children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Chickasaw freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 31, 1903.

William Goodlow,  
Langston, Oklahoma,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 25, asking if there is any chance for the children of your father who was a Choctaw slave to be enrolled.

In reply to your letter you are informed that you do not state the name of your father, and it is, therefore, impracticable to give you any information relative to his right to enrollment. It appears, however, from our records, that Willie Goodlow, about twenty three years of age, son of Henry and Frances Goodlow, has been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, but his name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. It is not known whether you are the person above referred to, but if not, and you will give the name of your father, your full name, and when and where application was made for your enrollment, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 13, 1904.

Henry Goodlee,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 8th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that Henry Goodlow of Harris, Indian Territory, and his children, Willie, Pearley and Lucy Goodlow, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 6, 1907.

Jeash Guess,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 30, 1907, in which you state that the members of Edmond Jackson's family are Edward Jackson Jr., Jesse Jackson, Joe Jackson, Sarah Guess, Wash Guess, John Guess, Ella Guess, Virgie Butler, Juda Butler, Henry Goodlow and Andy Guess, Sr. and that they were enrolled by Edmond Jackson.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Edward Jackson has been enrolled as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 11, 1903.

You are further advised that on March 6, 1904, the Secretary of the Interior approved the enrollment of Joe Jackson, Jesse Jackson and Virgie Butler as Choctaw freedmen.

You are informed that Ella Guess, Johnnie Guess, Andy Guess Jr. and Henry Goodlow have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

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You are further advised that the information contained in your letter is not sufficient to enable this office to identify Sarah Gness or Jada Butler as applicants for enrollment in the Chectaw or Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

Fried

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Henry Goodlow

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 1538

Chickasaw? yrs County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

Licensee filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

Licensee filed this day

Names of children:

Willie Goodlow County Chickasaw Year Page No. 1552  
Pearly " County " Year Page No. 1553  
Lancy " County " Year Page No. 1554

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Choctaw Fr. 1240

Wellington Simpson

Fr. 1240



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Wellington Simpson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikshi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Wellington Simpson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 27.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Malinda Jones.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. I think it was Robert Jones, or his wife.

Q. Where were you born? A. In Red River County.

Q. Been living there ever since? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any body here who knows you? A. Yes sir.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What do you know about this boy? A. He belongs to Susan Jones side, Jones' wife's property, He belongs on the Chickasaw side.

Q. Do you know this man? A. I do for a fact, I knew his father and mother before he did.

Wellington Simpson recalled:

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

(Enrolled Wellington Simpson as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. H. S. L.



# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Wellington Simpson

Choctaw? Red River Choctaw Nation County Red River Year 3162

Chickasaw? Yes County Chickasaw Year 3162 Page 3162

Citizen by blood? Chickasaw residing Mother's citizenship in Choctaw Nation

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law? in Choctaw Nation

License filed this day, in Choctaw Nation

Wife's name, in Choctaw Nation

Choctaw? in Choctaw Nation County in Choctaw Nation Year in Choctaw Nation No. in Choctaw Nation

Chickasaw? in Choctaw Nation County in Choctaw Nation Year in Choctaw Nation Page in Choctaw Nation

Citizen by blood? in Choctaw Nation Mother's citizenship in Choctaw Nation

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law? in Choctaw Nation

License filed this day, in Choctaw Nation

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1241

Andrew Guess

Fr. 1241

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Andrew Guess, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikehi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles and examined by him, et al he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Andrew Guess.

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Alfred Murray.

Q. Was he a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Chickasaw.

Q. Where have you been living since the war? A. Right here in the territory.

Q. Have you a wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is her name? A. Lucy Guess.

Q. Who did she belong to. A. Alfred Murray.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir, none living with me.

(Enrolled Andrew Guess and wife as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Chickasaw Freedmen  
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Waskogie, Indian Territory, August 24, 1905.

Andrew Guess, Sr.,

Harris, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 19, asking about Chickasaw freedmen being permitted to select allotments in the Choctaw Nation.

In reply to your letter you are informed that citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations will be permitted to select allotments in either or both the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations when their enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It appears from our records that you have been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to a man being permitted to select allotment for his wife who is a Choctaw freedman, your attention is invited to section six of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Andrew Guess  
 Choctaw? ..... County Red River Year ..... No. 1533  
 Chickasaw? yes County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
 Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....  
 Intermarried citizen? .....  
 Married under what law? .....  
 License filed this day, .....  
 Wife's name, Lucy Guess  
 Choctaw? ..... County Red River Year ..... No. 1534  
 Chickasaw? yes County ..... Year ..... Page .....  
 Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....  
 Intermarried citizen? .....

Chickasaw residing in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law? .....  
 License filed this day, .....

## Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1242

Houston Burton

Fr. 1242



## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Houston Burton, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikohi, I.T., April 20th, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Houston Burton.

Q. How old are you? A. About 46.

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Alfred Murray.

Q. Was he a white man? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your Mistress name? A. Amelia Murray.

Q. What was she? A. A Chickasaw.

Q. Where have you been living ever since the war? A. I have been living in the Nation all except about two or three years.

Q. You were living in Texas when you were turned loose wasn't you? A. No sir, I was living in the Territory.

Q. Never live in Texas. A. I lived in Texas some, I think it was in 1868 when we moved out to Blossom Prairie, to Mr. R. L. Murray's father's place.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows.

Q. What do you know about Houston Burton? A. All the children from his wife belong to the Chickasaw side if they go to the mammy's side.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Susan Jones.

Q. Do you know who Houston Burton belonged to? A. He belonged to the Murray side

Houston Burton recalled:

Q. Are all these children your own? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Houston Burton, wife and six children as Chickasaws)

Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1050.

IN RE application of Houston Burton.

(See testimony of Webster Burton, Chickasaw Freedmen Card 1055).

Houston Burton

enrolled;

Webster Burton first name of Houston Burton  
Houston Burton enrolled 19-1050  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSIONER OF THE LAND OFFICE  
WASHINGTON, D. C.

In the matter of an application for the admission of  
Hedges Burton as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation.

Hedges Burton, being first duly sworn upon the oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Hedges Burton.  
Q What is your mother's name? A Victoria Burton.  
Q What is your father's name? A Houston Burton.  
Q How old are you? A Twenty-seven years.  
Q How long have you lived in the Choctaw Nation?  
Q You claim rights as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation?  
A Yes sir.  
Q Where have you always lived? A In the Choctaw Nation.  
Q Always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.  
Q Got anybody here that known who your mother was? A Yes  
sir, these two men were acquainted.  
Q How did it happen that you never enrolled in 1896?  
A I supposed I was.

Lee Colbert, being first duly sworn upon his oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Lee Colbert.  
Q Do you know Hedges Burton? A Yes sir.  
Q How long have you known him? A Since he came here.  
Q What was his mother's name? A Victoria Burton.  
Q What was his father's name? A Houston Burton.  
Q Do you remember when Hedges Burton came here? A I do not  
know exactly.  
Q You remember of him being here? A I know that  
Houston Burton is the son of Houston Burton and Victoria  
Burton. A Yes sir, I do.  
Q Where has Hedges Burton been living all his life?  
A Close where he is now.  
Q Having lived out of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.

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Collin Frazier, being first duly sworn upon his oath,  
testified as follows:

Examination by the Commission:

Q What is your name? A Collin Frazier.  
Q What is your age? A About thirty-eight years old.  
Q Do you know the applicant, Hodges Burton? A Yes sir.  
Q Who is his mother? A Victoria.  
Q Who is his father? A Houston Burton.  
Q Have you always lived in the same neighborhood with him?  
A Yes sir.  
Q Do you remember when he was born? A Yes sir.  
Q You know he is the son of Hodges Burton and Victoria  
Burton? A Yes sir.  
Q Always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir.

Daisy D. Daubin upon oath states that as stenographer  
to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes she correctly  
recorded the testimony in the above entitled cause and that the  
foregoing is an accurate transcript of her stenographic notes  
thereof.

Sworn to before me this the 16<sup>th</sup> day of September  
A. D., 1904.

*M. Campbell*

Notary Public.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

**FILED**

JUN 17 1904



W. T. CHAMBERLAIN

Central Dist }  
Choctaw Nation }  
Indian Ter }

Before me the undersigned a Notary Public in and for the Central Dist. Choctaw Nation this day personally appeared before me Calvin Clay and George Mahardy Citizens of the Choctaw Nation to me personally well known who after being duly sworn depose and say that they are and have been acquainted with Hodges Burton since his birth and we know he has always made the Choctaw Nation his home and never lived at any other place but in this neighborhood.

Calvin Clay  
George Mahardy

Sworn to and Subscribed in my presence this 11th day of June 1905

my Commission  
expires Jan. 30-1905

Chas. A. Decimus  
Notary Public



19-1164

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 22, 1903.

H. S. Burton,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 14th instant, stating that two weeks since you appeared before the Land Office for the purpose of selecting allotments for yourself and family, but you were not permitted to do so. You also state that you are a Chickasaw Freedman, but your wife is a Choctaw Freedman and that the Land Office officials would not permit you to file for your wife.

You are informed it does not appear from our records that any person by the name of H. S. Burton has been listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. It is believed, however, from the statements contained in your letter, that you are listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman under the name of Hodges Burton, and that you are the husband of Mary Jane Burton and father of Bettie Allean Burton, who are Choctaw Freedmen.

You are informed that Houston Burton, his wife, Victoria, and his children, Hodges, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonso Burton, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their rights as such have not yet been determined.

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It also appears from our records that Mary Jane Burton and her minor daughter, Bettie Allean Burton, have been enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 6, 1903, and that upon the personal appearance of Mary Jane Burton at Atoka, Indian Territory, she will be permitted to select allotments of land for herself and minor daughter.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

19-1164

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 21, 1903.

Houston Burton,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of November 16, in which you ask the status of your enrollment.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Houston Burton, his wife, Victoria Burton, and their children, Hodges, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonzo Burton have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1242  
17-1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 22, 1904.

H. S. Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 13, 1903, asking if the enrollment of Rollin Johnson and his minor children, and Hodges Burton and his wife, Mary J. Burton, and their child, Bettie Allean Burton, has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the enrollment of Mary J. Burton and Bettie Allean Burton, as Choctaw freedmen has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further informed that Roland Johnson and his minor children, Carter, Louis, George and Sefronia Johnson, and Houston Burton and his wife, Victoria B. Burton, and their children, Hodges, Sam, Raywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonzo Burton, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1248

Muskegee, Indian Territory, April 11, 1904.

Houston Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that Houston Burton, his wife, Victoria Burton, and their children, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonso Burton, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

H. S. Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Hedges Burton and his family, also that of Collin Frazier and family, and Rollin Johnson and his minor children.

You are informed it appears from our records that Houston Burton, his wife, Victoria Burton, and his children, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonzo Burton have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen.

You are further advised that Rolland Johnson and Collin Frazier have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, the enrollment of the above named persons having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Hedges Burton as a Choctaw freedman, it appears from our records that the names of his parents and younger brothers are found upon the 1896 Choctaw Census Roll, but his name does not appear thereon, and before the application for his enrollment can receive further consideration, it will be necessary that the Commission be furnished with his sworn statement relative to his residence previous to 1896,



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also as to his residence from 1896 to September 25, 1902. He will also be required to explain the reason why his name does not appear upon the 1896 Choctaw Census Roll. This matter should receive prompt attention.

It appears from our records that he is now the husband of Mary Jane Burton, who with her daughter, Bettie Alliean Burton, have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 6, 1903.

Relative to the enrollment of Roland Johnson, and his minor children, you are advised that this office has not yet received evidence of marriage between Roland and Alice Johnson, or affidavits relative to the birth of Carter, Louis and George Johnson, and before the application for the enrollment of the above named children can receive further consideration it will be necessary that evidence of marriage as requested in our letter of January 25, 1904, and proof of birth of said children be furnished the Commission.

If you will state the name of the wife of Collin Frazier, and the names of his children, you will be advised relative to their enrollment.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1842

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 3, 1904.

H. C. Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Hodges Burton and his family, also that of Collin Frazier and family, and Rollin Johnson and his minor children.

You are informed it appears from our records that Houston Burton, his wife, Victoria Burton, and his children, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonzo Burton have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen.

You are further advised that Roland Johnson and Collin Frazier have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, the enrollment of the above named persons having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Hodges Burton, it appears from our records that he is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but his name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior.

It appears from our records that he is now the husband of Mary Jane Burton, who with her daughter, Bettie Allean Burton,

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have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 6, 1903.

Relative to the enrollment of Roland Johnson and his minor children, you are advised that this office has not yet received evidence of marriage between Roland and Alice Johnson, or affidavits relative to the birth of Carter, Louis and George Johnson, and before the application for the enrollment of the above named children can receive further consideration it will be necessary that evidence of marriage as requested in our letter of January 25, 1904, and proof of birth of said children be furnished the Commission.

If you will state the name of the wife of Collin Brazier, and the names of his children, you will be advised relative to their enrollment.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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17-1298

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1904.

H. S. Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., requesting to be advised why your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman has not been approved, and also relative to the enrollment of Jesse Hunt or and Tina Williams, minor children of Lucretia Williams.

You are informed it appears from our records that you are listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but before your enrollment as such can receive further consideration it will be necessary that the Commission be supplied with sworn statements of two or more reputable citizens of the Choctaw Nation relative to your residence since birth up to the present time.

You are further informed it appears from our records that Houghton and Tina Williams, minor children of Greasy Williams, have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Relative to the application for enrollment of Jesse Scott, who appears upon our records as the minor son of Pinky Williams and who it is believed is the person referred to in your letter as Jesse Williams, you are advised it will be necessary that

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the Commission be supplied with evidence of his birth before his enrollment as a Chectaw freedman can receive further consideration, blanks for which purpose are enclosed herewith. It is important that such evidence be furnished the Commission with as little delay as possible.

That portion of your letter referring to certain lands described therein, will be made the subject of a separate communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1242

Waskagee, Indian Territory, June 4, 1904.

Hodges Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 30, 1904, giving information relative to your parents and your residence in the Choctaw Nation since your birth up to the present time.

You are advised that the information contained in your letter relative to your parentage corresponds with our records. You are informed, however, that before the application for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman can be given further consideration, it will be necessary that the Commission be supplied with a sworn statement of two or more reputable citizens of the Choctaw Nation relative to your residence since your birth up to the present time.

It is important that this matter receive your immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-1242

Wichita, Indian Territory, June 17, 1904.

Hodges Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 11th inst., enclosing the joint affidavit of Calvin Clay and George Mahardy, relative to your residence in the Cheotaw Nation since your birth up to the present time, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of your application for enrollment as a Cheotaw Freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1243.

Washoe, Indian Territory, July 6, 1904.

Wadeas Burton,

Lawrence town, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 28th, in which you ask if your enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior as you desire to file on your land.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding the Secretary of the Interior. Pending your enrollment by the Commission and the approval thereof by the Secretary of the Interior, you would not be permitted to make selection of allotment. You are informed that the matter of the reservation of the land referred to in your letter, will be made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedmen  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 6, 1904.

Hedges Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 1, asking if you have been enrolled and approved, and in reply you are advised that your name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

The matter of the land referred to by you has been made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1242.

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Hodges Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify relative to your right to enrollment as such freedman.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6th and 7th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1848.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 31, 1904.

Hodges Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 24th inst., requesting to be advised whether it will be necessary for you to appear in person before the Commission at Atoka, Indian Territory September 6-7, 1904.

In reply to your letter you are advised that under date of August 18, 1904 you were fully informed of the necessity of your appearance before the Commission either at the general office in Muskogee, Indian Territory at as early a date as possible or at the Choctaw land office, Atoka, Indian Territory September 6-7, 1904, or at the Chickasaw land office Tishomingo, Indian Territory September 8-9, 1904.

You are informed it will be necessary for you to follow the instructions contained in our letter of August 18, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 22, 1904.

Hodges Burton,

Shawmutown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 18th instant, requesting to be advised whether or not your enrollment has been approved.

You are advised that the Commission has not yet determined your right to enrollment as a Choctaw freeman. If you will communicate with this office again at the expiration of ninety days, you will be further advised in the matter.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Freeman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Horston Burton on roll as Horston Britton

Choctaw? County Red River Choctaw Nation Year No. 385

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name, Victoria Burton on roll as Victoria Britton

Choctaw? County Red River Year No.

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|           |                      |        |      |      |                        |
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| Chickasaw | <u>Hodges Burton</u> | County | Year | Page | No. <u>Not on roll</u> |
|           | <u>Sam</u>           | County | Year | Page | No. <u>"</u>           |
|           | <u>Haywood</u>       | County | Year | Page | No. <u>"</u>           |
|           | <u>Joseph</u>        | County | Year | Page | No. <u>"</u>           |
|           | <u>Henry</u>         | County | Year | Page | No. <u>"</u>           |
|           | <u>Alonzo</u>        | County | Year | Page | No. <u>"</u>           |
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Choctaw Fr. 1243

David Crutchfield

Fr. 1243

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Rhoda Crutchfield, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Rhoda Crutchfield.

Q. How old are you? A. 35

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your master's name? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Did you belong to Robert Jones, or Susan Jones?

A. To Robert Jones I guess.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Rachael McGee.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know this woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Which side does she belong on? A. Chickasaw side.

Rhoda Crutchfield recalled.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Got any children? A. Yes sir,

Q. What are their names? A. David, Curtis, Edna and Emma.

Q. Are they all living with you? A. Yes sir.

You Never lived in Texas did you? A. No sir.

(Enrolled Rhoda Crutchfield and four children as Chickasaws)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Snider*

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## Cheetaw Freedmen Roll

| No.  | Name              | Age | Sex | Blood | Card No. |
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| 4333 | Crutchfield, Emma | 5   | F   | -     | 1243     |

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Washoe, Indian Territory, February 24, 1904.

Henry Crutchfield,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 17th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of the children of Rhoda Crutchfield.

You are informed it appears from our records that David, Curtis, Nana and Numa, minor children of Henry and Rhoda Crutchfield are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of such freedmen, to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 16, 1904.

Henry Crutchfield,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 11, asking if your children will be permitted to select their mother's allotment, and in reply you are advised that it appears from our records that Rhoda Crutchfield, the mother of your children, David, Curtis, Edna and Emma Crutchfield, died prior to September 25, 1902, the date of the ratification by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, and in this connection your attention is invited to the following provision of said act:

"That no allotment of land or other tribal property shall be made to any person or to the heirs of any person whose name is on the said rolls and who died prior to the date of the final ratification of this agreement."

The matter of the classification and designation of the land referred to in your letter will be made the subject of separate communications.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Washington, Indian Territory, March 1, 1903

Wanda Grutchfield,

Arkansas, Arkansas.

Dear Madam:

I have received your letter of the 27th inst. and in reply to inform you that you are not eligible for enrollment and allotment.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that Wanda Grutchfield, the mother of David, Curtis, Bina and Emma Grutchfield died prior to September 25, 1902, and under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, no person who died prior to September 25, 1902, the date of the ratification of said act, is entitled to enrollment and allotment in the Cherokee and Chickasaw Nations.

Referring to that portion of your letter in which you refer to enrollment blanks, you are informed that under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, no children born to citizens of the Cherokee and Chickasaw Nations subsequent to September 25, 1902, the date of the ratification of said act, are entitled to enrollment and allotment in the Cherokee and Chickasaw Nations.

The Commission has never had for distribution blanks

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Some other than applications for enrollment of infant children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-20* 1899.

Name *Rhoda Crutchfield*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *941*

Chickasaw *eyes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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| <i>David Crutchfield</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>not in roll</i> |
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| <i>Edna</i>              | "      | Year | Page | No. <i>do</i>          |
| <i>Emma</i>              | "      | Year | Page | No. <i>do</i>          |
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*Chickasaw*

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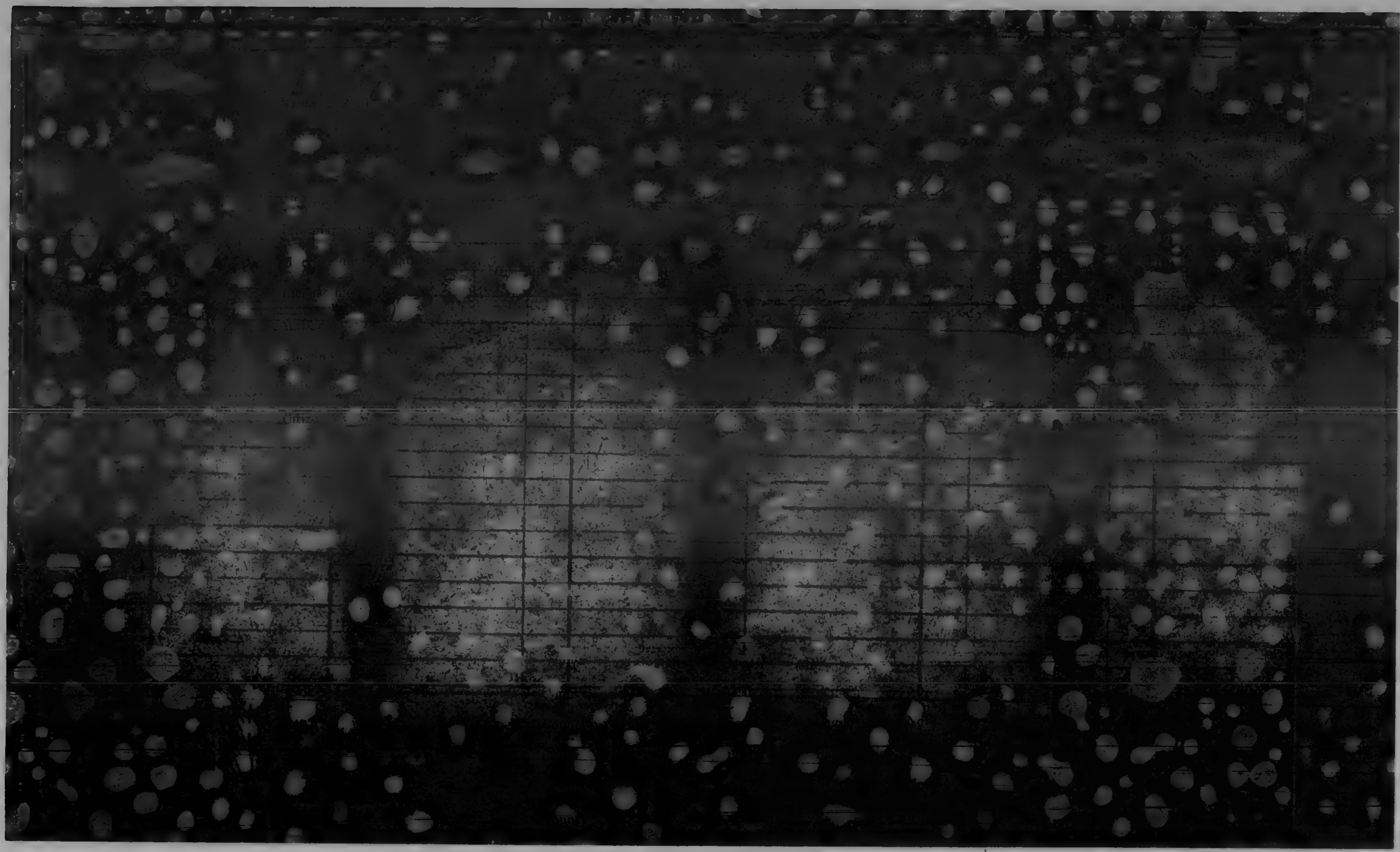
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Edward Alexander

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Fr. 1244



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Record in the matter of the application for enrollment  
as Choctaw Freedmen of-

Aurilla Alexander  
Irene Alexander

17-1244

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Edward Alexander, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Edward Alexander?

Q. How old are you? A. 27

Q. Who was your father? A. William Alexander.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Patsy Alexander.

Q. Was your mother a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master. A. Jones.

Q. Which Jones? A. I don't know.

Lin Bulbert being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know this man? A. Yes sir. This is Patsy's son, created from Susan Colbert, Chickasaw, Robert Jones' wife.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir. Aurilla and Irena.

Q. Have you been living here all the time? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Edward Alexander and two childred as Chickasaw Freedmen)

*Handwritten signature: J. A. Milley*

Arkinda, Ark. August the 29, 1904.

I will give you all the document of me and Frances. We was not mar-  
ried. We only lived together about 3 years. In this time she was as  
kind as a wife. And now you see what is this time and at that time  
she was in the hospital and me to marriage. And he wanted to  
take in all I have. The great seed that they would give the first  
son to her and they were. Edward Alexander.

So that this will be the first of you wish to be done by

Yours

Edward Alexander.

Arkinda, Ark.

It was a very few Choctaw freedmen was near in the time this  
agreement was made.

And let me know how you are. It is just as you are. You got that  
letter.

This to certify That Mr. —  
Edward Alexander was  
joined in marriage with —  
Miss Pinkie Cruchfield  
March 27 1892

By Rev L W Gale  
a minister of Gospel.

Witnesses  
William Anderson  
and Calvin Evans

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
**FILED**

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*[Handwritten signature]*

State of Arkansas.

Little Rock County.

This is to Certify that  
I William Nicholas, and  
Calvin Ewing, That we were  
present on the 28<sup>th</sup> day of March  
1892 - When Rev S. W. Cole performed  
the Marriage Ceremony between  
Edward Alexander and Fannie  
Alexander. And we do hereby  
certify that they have lived together  
as man & wife ever since that date  
up to the present date - And we  
further state with our own  
knowledge that the Edward  
Alexander has never been married  
to any one else, known under same  
name & seal this the 8<sup>th</sup> day of  
Sept 1904

William Nicholas  
Calvin Ewing

Sworn and Subscribed  
to before me this the  
8<sup>th</sup> day of Sept 1904

W. B. Schofield  
Notary Public



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
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JAN 11 1905

*[Handwritten signature]*

U. S. MAIL

State of Arkansas.  
LeFlore County.

I Edward Alexander  
being duly sworn, depose and  
say. I do here by certify that  
I am the father of Inna  
Alexander. Mother of said child  
is Mary Francis Harris. The said  
child was born on July  
30<sup>th</sup> 1892. The name of midwife  
was Roney Simpson. I am  
under my oath and seal  
this the 7<sup>th</sup> day of January  
1905

Edward Alexander  
sworn and subscribed to  
before me this 7<sup>th</sup> day of  
January 1905

H. H. H. H. H.  
Notary Public

Milias  
Mickam Anderson  
Robert Alexander

Post Office Address  
Jacks, S. T.

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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CHAIRMAN

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Arkansas, Ark.  
March 31, 1905

To all whom this may Concern:

We

the undersigned do solemnly  
swear that we have resided  
in the Community in which the  
Child, Irena Alexander, was born,  
for the past Twenty (20) years, and  
that we are personally acquainted  
with Irena Alexander and her father  
Edward Alexander, and that the Child,  
Irena, is known to be the child  
and Alexander's daughter.

Witnesses: W. K. Brock

J. W. H. Anderson

Collier E. Simpson

Jesse <sup>His</sup> ~~man~~ Simpson

Subscribed & sworn to before me

this the 31<sup>st</sup> day of March 1905.

Chas. E. Phipps, Jan 4, 1909.

A. B. Bowles, Notary Public

17-1244

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for enrollment of  
Aurilla Alexander and Irena Alexander as Choctaw Freedmen.

--: D E C I S I O N :--

It appears from the record herein that on April 20, 1899, application was made to this Commission for the enrollment of Aurilla Alexander, five years of age, and Irena Alexander, seven years of age, as Choctaw Freedmen.

It appearing from the records of this Commission that Edward Alexander, the father of the applicants, is a Choctaw Freedman, this application is treated as an application for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen.

It further appears from the record herein that Aurilla Alexander is the daughter of Edward Alexander, a recognized Choctaw Freedman, whose name appears as number 4334 upon the lists prepared by this Commission under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, (32 Stat., 641) of persons entitled to enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen and approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904, by his wife, Pinkie Alexander, and that said Irena Alexander is his illegitimate child; that the applicants have made their home with their father since the dates of their respective births up to and including September 25, 1902.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that Aurilla Alexander and Irena Alexander should be enrolled as Choctaw Freedmen, in accordance with the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898, (30 Stat., 495), and July 1, 1902, (32 Stat., 641), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Chairman.

Commissioner.

Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 3, 1905.

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Edward Alexander,  
Arkade, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered May 3, 1905, granting the application for the enrollment of your children, Aurilla Alexander and Irena Alexander as Choctaw freedmen.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision, and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicants as Choctaw freedmen. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, their names will be placed upon the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

Tams Bixby

Chairman.

Registered.

No-17-828.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 3, 1905.

COPY.

Mansfield, Montgomery & Cornish,  
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,  
South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Enclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission, rendered May 3, 1905, granting the application for the enrollment of Aurilla Alexander and Irena Alexander, as Choctaw freedmen.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of the notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicants as Choctaw freedmen. If at the expiration of said time no protest has been filed, their names will be placed upon the the final rolls of the Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*James B. Bly*

Registered.

Chairman.

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(See 17-1478 for registry receipt for this letter).

Choctaw Freedman  
1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 28, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 23, in which you give the names of your brothers as Tom and Robert Alexander, and ask if one of you may file for your two brothers and their children. You also ask if you can select allotment for your mother who is now dead.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that Edward Alexander and his two children, Robert Alexander and his two children and Tom Alexander and his four children have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. If you will communicate with the Commission again in about two months you will then be informed as to whether or not their enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It also appears from our records that your mother, Patsy Johnson, died December 25, 1901, and relative to the selection of an allotment in her behalf your attention is invited to the following provision of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified

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by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations September 25, 1902:

"That no allotment of land or other tribal property shall be made to any person whose name is on the said rolls, and who died prior to the date of the final ratification of this agreement."

Replying to that part of your letter in which you ask if one brother may select allotments for his two other brothers and their minor children, your attention is invited to sections 1 and 6 of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is herewith inclosed you.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Rules for allotment.

Choctaw Freedman  
1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 16, 1904.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 9, asking if the enrollment of yourself and your family has been approved, and also whether you will be permitted to hold land for your mother who died December 25, 1901.

In reply to your letter you are advised that full information covering these points was furnished you in our letter of January 28, replying to your communication of January 23, 1904, from Janis, Indian Territory.

You are informed, however, that the names of Edward Alexander and his children Aurilla and Irena Alexander, have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Relative to the selection of allotment for your mother who died December 25, 1901, your attention is invited to the following provision of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902:

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"That no allotment of land or other tribal property shall be made to any person whose name is on the said rolls, and who died prior to the date of the final ratification of this agreement."

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 28, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that Edward Alexander and his daughters, Aurilia and Irena Alexander are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Choctaw Freedmen,  
1244-1246.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1904.

J. E. Thornton,

America, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 11, in which you ask if the enrollment of Robert, Thomas, Edward and Nick Alexander has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and if selection of allotment may now be made in their behalf.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that it appears from our records that Tom Alexander and his children, Arthur, Sannel, Ambos and William, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904. It appears from our records that Robert Alexander and his children, Tina and Thomas Gibson Alexander, and Edward Alexander and his children, Aurilla and Irena, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

The enrollment of Tom Alexander and his children having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, selection of allotment may now be made in their behalf. Pending the enrollment of the other persons mentioned above, and the approval thereof by the Secretary of the Interior, no selections of allotment can be made in

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their behalf.

You are further advised that the Commission is unable to identify Nick Alexander as an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw or Chickasaw Freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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17-1244

Washington, Indian Territory, June 25, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Arkonia, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of May 30, 1904, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action. Therein you ask relative to the enrollment of yourself and children.

In reply to your letter you are informed that Edward Alexander has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and his name placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior, but the Commission has not yet been notified of departmental action thereon. You are further informed that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application for enrollment of your minor children, Aurilla and Irene Alexander.

Replying to that part of your letter in which you ask if a freedman can sell his land now, you are informed that the sale of lands by the citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations is a matter which does not come within the jurisdiction of the Commission and it is therefore impracticable to give you any information on the subject.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedmen  
1844.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 30, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 18,  
in which you ask the status of your enrollment.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that Edward Alex-  
ander has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw Freedman and  
his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior on  
June 28, 1904.

The other matters referred to in your letter have been  
made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman,  
1244.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 3, 1904.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinds, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 26, in which you ask if the names of yourself and your family have been approved.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that you have been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw Freedman, and your enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 23, 1904. You are further informed that before further consideration can be given the application for the enrollment of your children, Aurilia and Irene Alexander, it will be necessary for you to furnish evidence of your marriage to Pink Alexander and Frances Alexander, the respective mothers of these children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge,

17-1244.

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the enrollment of your children Aurilla and Irena Alexander, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify as to their rights to enrollment as such freedmen.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6th and 7th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



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Writ and let me no jais  
as sun is you get this  
letter.

Arkinda, Ark. August the 29, 1904.

Commixsion to the 5 civilized tribes,  
Muskogee, I. T.

Dear Sirs:

I remeved your letters a few days ago asking me to furnish  
evidence of my marriage to pink and frances i will sen the evidence  
of my and pink marriage hear in this letter.

yours,

Edward Alexander.

Arkinda, Ark.

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tiest the other was Mr. D. C. Garland, and they tol me jaist what to  
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you i kill too dogs had ben mad dog bit.

Choctaw Freedmen  
1844.

Muskegee, Indian Territory, September 1, 1904.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 29, 1904, enclosing a statement in the form of a certificate that you were married to Miss Pinkie Crushfield, March 28, 1892, by Reverend D. W. Cole, which you forward as proof of your marriage to Pink Alexander, the mother of Aurilla Alexander. You also state in your letter that you never were married to Frances Alexander, the mother of Irena Alexander.

You are informed that the statement in question is not sufficient to be accepted as proof of your marriage to Pinkie Alexander, and before the application of Aurilla and Irena Alexander for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen can be given further consideration, it will be necessary that you furnish competent proof of your marriage to Pink Alexander. This may take the form of the original or a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate.

The Commission will be in session at Atoka, Indian Territory, September 6 and 7, and at Tishomingo, Indian Territory, September 8 and 9, 1904, and if you so desire you may appear at either of these places on the dates named and give the necessary evidence

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required by the Commission in this matter.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1841

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1904.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 1st inst., enclosing the joint affidavit of William Andersen and Calvin Wing, stating that they were eye witnesses to the marriage between yourself and Pinky Alexander March 28, 1892, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment of your two minor children Aurilla and Irene Alexander.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1844

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 10, 1904.

E. W. Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th instant, requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your minor daughters Aurilla and Irena Alexander.

You are advised that the Commission has not yet passed upon the rights to enrollment of Aurilla and Irena Alexander as Choctaw freedman. If you will communicate with this office again at the end of ninety days, you will be further advised in the matter.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1844

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 15, 1904.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th instant, requesting to be advised relative to the application for enrollment of your minor children Aurilla and Irena Alexander.

You are informed that the Commission has not yet determined the right of said children to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen. If you will communicate with the Commission again at the expiration of sixty days you will be further advised in the matter.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 15, 1904.

E. W. Alexander,

Janis, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

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Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 10, giving information as to the age of the mother of your child, Irena Alexander, and stating that you will appear before the Choctaw Land Office for the purpose of testifying relative to the right to enrollment of this child.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission at its office in Muskogee, Indian Territory, at an early date, for the purpose of testifying relative to the right of your child, Irena Alexander, to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. This matter should receive immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedman  
1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 24, 1904.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 20, stating that you are not able to appear before the Commission in Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the purpose of testifying relative to the enrollment of your child, Irena Alexander, and asking what proof is necessary and that you be furnished with a blank in order that you may go before a notary public and have it executed.

In reply to your letter you are advised that you should appear before the Commission in Muskogee, Indian Territory, for the purpose of testifying relative to the birth of your child Irena Alexander, and that she is your child, if possible, as the Commission is averse to accepting affidavits in support of applications for enrollment. However, if you are unable to so appear you may forward an affidavit stating that you are the father of said child, and giving the name of her mother, and the same will be filed with the record in this case.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 12, 1906.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 6, 1906, enclosing your affidavit relative to your daughter Irena Alexander and the same has been filed with the record in the matter of the application for her enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 20, 1905.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 15, 1905, asking if your children have yet been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application of Aurilla and Irena Alexander for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but you will be advised of such further action as may be taken in this case.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 16, 1908.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 6, 1908, in which you ask why the rights of your children have not yet been passed upon.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the Commission will as early as practicable take up for consideration the application for the enrollment of your children Aurilla and Irena Alexander and you will be advised of such further action as may be taken therein.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 16, 1908.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 6, 1908, in which you ask why the rights of your children have not yet been passed upon.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the Commission will as early as practicable take up for consideration the application for the enrollment of your children Aurilla and Irena Alexander and you will be advised of such further action as may be taken therein.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-1244.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 23, 1905.

Edward Alexander,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your illegitimate child, Irene Alexander, as a Choctaw Freedman, it will be necessary for you to affirmatively establish the right of this child to enrollment. If you have any witnesses who can testify as to her parentage and as to whether she has been generally recognized as being your child in the community in which she has resided since birth, such witnesses should present themselves in person before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, and testify under oath as to such facts.

You will be allowed thirty days from the date of this letter in which to present such testimony as you may see fit tending to establish the right of this child to enrollment. If no testimony is received by the expiration of that period the application will be disposed of upon the record as it now stands.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 7, 1905.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 31, 1905, enclosing joint affidavit of Calvin Everidge and Jesse Simpson which you offer in support of the application for the enrollment of your daughter Irena Alexander and the same have been filed with the record in this case.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 14, 1905.

Edward Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 3, 1905, asking if the application for the enrollment of your children has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of your children Aurilla and Irena Alexander have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. You will be advised when your enrollment is approved by the Department.

There were inclosed with your letter apparently by mistake order and ten cents in stamps and the same are returned you herewith.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Choctaw Freedman

1244

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 16, 1905.

Edward Alexander,

Arkinda, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 12, asking if your children are approved and in reply you are advised that the names of your children, Aurilla and Irena Alexander, have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Department, and you will be notified when their enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-20* 1899.

Name *Edward Alexander*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *Not on Roll*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Gurilla Alexander* County Year Page No. *Not on roll*

*Irena* " County Year Page No. "1

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Chocoma, 1915

Celia Thompson

Fr. 1205



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Celia Thompson to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Celia Thompson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 65

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Who was your mistress? A. Susan Jones.

Q. Which one did you belong to? A. I don't know.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir. Got three married and one ain't married.

Q. Has your unmarried child always made her home here in the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. Was she never married? A. No sir.

Q. What is her name? A. Sarah Mahardy.

Lin Butler being duly sworn testified as follows in behalf of Celia Thompson.

Q. Who did this woman Celia Thompson belong to, Jones or his wife? A. She belonged to his wife, on the Chickasaw side.

Q. Do you know anything about her girl? A. Yes sir, she has been teaching school around here all the time, she never want away off anywhere only to teach.

Q. She is that woman's daughter is she? A. Yes sir, by Arnestad Mahardy.

(Enrolled Celia Thompson and daughter as Chickasaw Freedman))

Department of the Interior,

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify that my official duty as Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes is a full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 31, 1902.

Charles Cohoe,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter without date, in which you desire to be informed if Sarah and George Mahardy are on the Chickasaw rolls.

Replying to your inquiry you are informed that it appears from the records of this office that on April 20, 1899, Sarah Mahardy, 26 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

It also appears from our records that on April 22, 1899, George Mahardy, 24 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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19-1201

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 11, 1902.

Sarah Mahardy,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th instant, in which you desire to be informed if you have been properly enrolled by the Commission as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation.

Replying to your inquiry you are advised that it appears from our records that on April 20, 1899, Celia Thompson, 63 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, and her daughter, Sarah Mahardy, 26 years of age, were listed for enrollment by the Commission as freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation.

It does not appear from the records in our possession that any objection has been entered to the enrollment of your mother and yourself subsequent to that time.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw F 1245

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1904.

Sarah Mahardy,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 11, in which you ask what disposition has been made of your application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. You state that you have always been on the rolls of Chickasaw Freedmen, but are informed that you have been changed to the Choctaw Freedmen Roll and you ask the cause of this change and also request to be informed when the office at Atoka will be open for the purpose of allowing Chickasaw Freedmen to file.

In reply to your letter you are informed that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman for the reason that the name of your mother, Gelia Thompson, appears upon the 1896 Census Roll of Choctaw Freedmen, but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedule of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. Pending your enrollment by the Commission and the approval thereof by the Secretary of the Interior you would not be permitted to make selection of allotment. You are informed, however, that those Chickasaw Freedmen whose enrollment

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has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior may select their allotments at the Choctaw Land Office of the Commission at Atoka, Indian Territory, upon their personal appearance for that purpose.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 21, 1904.

Sarah Mahardy,

Chawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 15th inst., requesting to be advised relative to your enrollment.

You are advised it appears from our records that you have listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and your name is now being placed upon a schedule of such freedmen to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior.

That portion of your letter referring to certain lands described therein has been made the subject of a separate communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1245

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 19, 1904.

Sarah Mahardy,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 12th inst., requesting information relative to your enrollment.

You are advised it appears from our records that Sarah Mahardy, Shawneetown, Indian Territory, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw Freedman, her enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

*John Quinn*

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

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1899.

Name

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No. *3331*

Chickasaw

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

*Chickasaw residing in Choctaw Nation*

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Sarah M. Hardy* County

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Choctaw Fr. 1246

Robert Alexander

Fr. 1246

**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Robert Alexander, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikohi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Robert Alexander.

Q. How old are you? A/ 30 years old.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Patsy Alexander.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Jones' I suppose.

Q. Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. I don't know sir.

Q. You have been living in this Nation all the time have you?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you been a citizen here all the time? A. Yes sir.

Q. You didn't move out? A. No sir.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir., one.

Q. What is its name? A. Tina Alexander.

Q. How old is she? A. About ten years old.

Lin Colbert states that Robert Alexander came from the Colbert side, and belonged to Susan Jones, a Chickasaw )

(Enrolled Robert Alexander and one child as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*H. A. Smith*

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*John J. [unclear] [unclear]*  
as a citizen of

*U. S.*

Nation.

Approved,

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Commissioner

COMMISSIONER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Thomas Simpson Alexander*, born on the *17* day of *Oct.*, 1900  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: *Robert Alexander*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Sallie Alexander*, a citizen of the *U. S.* Nation.  
Post-office, *Jamieson Tenn*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, *Sallie Alexander*, on oath state that I am *26*  
years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the *U. S.* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Robert Alexander*, who is a citizen, by  
*Freedman*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation, that a *male* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *17* day of *Oct.*, 1900, that said child has been  
named *Thomas Simpson Alexander*, and is now living.



## IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

## INFANT CHILD

Thomas Gipsom Alexander

as a citizen of the

Chickasaw

Nation.

Approved  1901

Commissioner

Application first received Sept 4, 1901  
 and return for information relative to  
 parents. Application was returned to the office  
 Oct 16, 1901, but being defective it was  
 sent to the parents for further information  
 and evidence of marriage.  
 See copies of our letters Sept 4, 11 Oct 16/01  
 Sept 20/01 and 20/02

RECEIVED  
 IN RE THOMAS GIPSON ALEXANDER  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Chicasaw Nation,  
 of Thomas Supron Alexander, born on the 17 day of Oct., 1902  
(Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Robt. Alexander, a citizen of the Chesaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Sallie Alexander, a citizen of the U.S. Nation.

Post-Office: Jamie Ind. Ter.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District. }

I, Sallie Alexander, on oath state that I am 28  
 years of age and a citizen, of U. S., of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Robt. Alexander, who is a citizen, by  
Birth, of the Chesaw Nation, that a Male child was  
(Male or female)  
 born to me on the 17 day of Oct., 1902; that said child has been  
 named Thomas Supron Alexander and is now living.

WITNESSES TO SIGN:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

L. J. Brown  
Edward Alexander

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of July, 1903.

P. B. Block  
 Notary Public.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY, SS.  
County of DISTRICT.

I, Paul Alexander, on oath state that I  
am 20 years of age, and am personally acquainted with  
Mollie Alexander, and know that on the 17 day of  
Oct., 1900, there was born to her a Male child;  
that said child is now living, and is said to have been named  
Thomas Lipson Alexander.

unlawful to work.  
Edward Alexander  
Paul Alexander

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of July, 1902.

Paul Alexander  
notary  
E. L. B. Clark  
Notary Public.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY, SS.  
Central DISTRICT.

I, Rebekah Alexander, on oath state that I  
am 28 years of age, and am personally acquainted with  
Ballie Alexander, and know that on the 1<sup>st</sup> day of  
Oct., 1900, there was born to her a male child;  
that said child is now living, and is said to have been named  
Thomas Ripson Alexander.

Rebekah Alexander

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26 day of July, 1903

W. B. Cook  
Notary Public.

IN RE

Application for Enrollment

INFANT CHILD

Thomas Ripson Alexander

as a citizen of the

Chickasaw

1903

Approved: [Signature]

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Application first received at  
and reliance for information at  
present. Application was received  
Oct 16 1901, but being defective I  
gave it to parents for further  
and evidence of marriage.  
See copies of Enr. Letter Sept 19/01.  
Oct 29/02 and Dec 30/12.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 16, 1901.

Mr. Robert Alexander,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Thomas Gipson Alexander, the infant son of Robert and Sallie Alexander, born October 7, 1900.

Attached to the application is the affidavit of Robert Alexander to the fact that he was enrolled at Sulphur Springs, Indian Territory, May 18, 1898, that he has twice been married, his first wife, Catherine Alexander, having died five years ago, and that he was married to his present wife, Sallie Alexander, under the old Choctaw laws.

The application for the enrollment of Thomas Gipson Alexander is returned to you herewith for the following reasons: That the application is made for the enrollment of the child as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, while it appears from our records that Robert Alexander was listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation. The application for the enrollment of your child should, therefore, be made as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation.

The mother of the child for whom application is made, Sallie

R. A.--2.

Alexander, being a citizen of the United States, it will be necessary that you supply this office with either the original or a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between you and your wife.

For the purpose of a proper consideration of this application there is enclosed herewith a new blank which, when duly executed and returned to this Commission, together with the evidence of your marriage to Sallie Alexander, the mother of the child, will receive proper consideration.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 20, 1902.

Robert Alexander,

Janis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir-

On October 16, 1901, the Commission returned to you for correction the application for enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Thomas Gipson Alexander, the infant son of Robert and Sallie Alexander, born October 7, 1900, for the reason that the application was made for the enrollment of the child as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation, while it appears from our records that Robert Alexander was listed for enrollment as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation. You were also advised that it would be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with either the original or a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between yourself and your wife, Sallie Alexander, she being a citizen of the United States. No reply to this communication has been received at this office.

There is inclosed herewith a new blank which, when duly executed and returned to this Commission, together with evidence of your marriage to Sallie Alexander, the mother of the child, will receive proper consideration.

You should give this matter your immediate attention as

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this child cannot be enrolled as a Chickasaw freedman until the  
evidence requested is furnished.

An envelope is inclosed herewith for your reply.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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Wichita, Indian Territory, December 30, 1904.

Robert Alexander,

Wichita, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

There was received at this office December 24, 1904, the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Thomas Gibson Alexander, infant son of Robert and Nellie Alexander, born October 17, 1900; also the affidavits of Thomas A. and Nellie Smith relative to the marriage of Robert Alexander and Nellie Gibson on December 13, 1900.

The attending midwife at the birth of this child being dead, it will be necessary for you to forward the affidavits of two disinterested persons who knew of the birth of this child, and the fact that it is still living.

For the purpose of assisting you in the matter, there is herewith enclosed a new application for the enrollment of an infant child, together with two blank forms for the affidavits to be executed in lieu of that of the midwife.

Upon return of the enclosed application, together with the affidavits requested, the matter will require further consideration.

Respectfully,

W. H. H. 1-24

Acting Chairman

19-1169

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 6, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith you will find copy of additional name, information and notations relative thereto, which have been made upon original Chickasaw freedman enrollment card, No. 1169; and you are requested to place the name, information and notations upon the duplicate of the corresponding number, in your possession, in accordance with the enclosed information.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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19-1169

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 6, 1903.

Robert Alexander,

Stanis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment, as a Chickasaw freedman, of Thomas Gipson Alexander, infant son of Rob and Sallie Alexander, born October 17, 1900.

It appears from our records that application was first received for the enrollment of the above named child at this office September 9, 1901, and returned to you upon that date for further information relative to your enrollment, and for evidence of marriage to the non-citizen mother of the child. The evidence of marriage having been supplied and the application being now complete and in proper form has been duly filed with our records and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 7, 1904.

Robert Alexander,  
Arkinda, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 1, asking if the enrollment of yourself and family has been approved and if you will get as much land as the Choctaw freedmen. You also wish to know if the classification of certain land has been changed.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Robert Alexander and his children, Tina and Thomas Gipson Alexander have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that if you will furnish a description of the land concerning which you desire information as to the appraisement, your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Choctaw Freedmen,  
1244-1246.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1904.

J. E. Thornton,

America, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 11, in which you ask if the enrollment of Robert, Thomas, Edward and Rick Alexander has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, and if selection of allotment may now be made in their behalf.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that it appears from our records that Tom Alexander and his children, Arthur, Samuel, Ambos and William, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904. It appears from our records that Robert Alexander and his children, Tina and Thomas Gipsen Alexander, and Edward Alexander and his children, Aurilla and Irena, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

The enrollment of Tom Alexander and his children having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, selection of allotment may now be made in their behalf. Pending the enrollment of the other persons mentioned above, and the approval thereof by the Secretary of the Interior, no selections of allotment can be made in

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their behalf.

You are further advised that the Commission is unable to identify Nick Alexander as an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw or Chickasaw Freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

*Frederick*

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

*H-20* 1899.

Name

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Tina Alexander*

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Choctaw Fr. 1247

Joe Shoals

Fr. 1247

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Joe Shoals, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T. April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Joe Shoals.

Q. How old are you? A. About 33

Q. Were you born a slave? A. I don't know sir.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Clarissa Alexander.

Q. Was she a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her master? A. I cannot tell.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Mary Shoals.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Jane Butler.

Q. Who was she a slave of? A. I don't know.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, two.

(Bin Colbert states under oath that Joe Shoals belonged to Susan Jones, and goes on the Chickasaw side.)

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Mary Shoals.

Sam Butler, being duly sworn, testified as follows in behalf of Joe Shoals.

Q. Do you know Mary Shoals? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her father? A. Billy Butler.

Q. Who did he belong to? A. Harris, a white man, married to a Choctaw.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Jane Butler.

Q. Was she a Choctaw? A. Yes sir, she belonged to Lorenza Harris.

as Chickasaw,

(Enrolled Joe Shoals, his wife, and three children as Choctaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

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FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Joe Shoals, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T. April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

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Q. Were you born a slave? A. I don't know sir.

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Q. Who was her mother? A. Jane Butler.

Q. Was she a Choctaw? A. Yes sir, she belonged to Lorenza Harris.

as Chickasaw,

(Enrolled Joe Shoals, his wife, and three children as Choctaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

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19-1170

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 26, 1903.

Thomas Cole,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 5th inst., making inquiry relative to Bennie Malarie Shoals, giving certain information in regard to her parentage and the time she was listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

You are informed that it appears from our records that on April 21, 1899, Mary Shoals, 22 years of age, of Towson County, and her minor child, Richmond Shoals, and stepdaughter, Bennie Shoals, were duly listed for enrollment by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen.

It appears also from our records that the father of Bennie Shoals is Joe Shoals, a Chickasaw freedman, and that the name of the mother was Laura Shoals, deceased.

Referring to your letter of November 29, 1902, in which you state that when you were before the Commission at Garvin, Indian Territory, the name of this child could not be found; it is

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probable that if the information given by you to the Commission at  
Carvin, Indian Territory, had been the same as that contained in  
your letter of the 5th inst., the Commission would at that time  
have been enabled to identify the child, Bennie Shoals, as being  
duly listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

19-1170.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 7, 1903.

Joe Shoals,

Jania, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 26, 1903, requesting that two blank applications for the enrollment of infant children be sent you. Two blanks of such description are herewith enclosed.

Your attention, however, is invited to the following provision of section 34 of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations September 25, 1902:

"During the ninety days first following the date of the final ratification of this agreement, the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes may receive applications for enrollment only of persons whose names are on the tribal rolls, but who have not heretofore been enrolled by said Commission, commonly known as "delinquents," and such intermarried white persons as may have married recognized citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations in accordance with the tribal laws, customs and usages on or before the date of the passage of this Act by Congress, and such infant children as may have been born to recognized and enrolled citizens on or before the date of the final ratification of this agreement; but the application of no person whomsoever for enrollment shall be received after the expiration of the said ninety days."

Respectfully,

B.C.

Acting Chairman.

19-1170

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 6, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Chickasaw Land Office,  
Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Chickasaw freedmen enrollment card, No. 1170, you are advised that the notation thereon relative to the wife of No. 1 which reads as follows:

"Wife of No. 1 is Mary Shoals Choc. freeman  
card No. 283"

has this day been corrected to read as follows:

"Wife of No. 1 is Mary Shoals on Choctaw freedman  
card No. 282"

You are requested to correct the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

19-1170

Wichita, Indian Territory, October 6, 1903.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Chickasaw freedman enrollment card, No. 1170, you are advised that the notation thereon relative to the wife of No. 1 which reads as follows:

"Wife of No. 1 is Mary Shoals Choc. freeman  
card No. 283."

has this day been corrected to read as follows:

"Wife of No. 1 is Mary Shoals on Choctaw freedman  
card No. 282

You are requested to correct the duplicate card in your possession in accordance with the above information.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

*Substitute*

17 - 282  
19 - 1170

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 23, 1903.

Joe Shoals,

Janis, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Vina Shoals and Mariah Hardman, relative to the birth of your infant daughter, Gertrude Shoals, March 22, 1900, also the affidavits of Vina Shoals and Mariah Hardman relative to the birth of your minor son, William Shoals, February 20, 1902, which it is presumed have been forwarded to this office as applications for the enrollment of the above named children as Choctaw Freedmen.

It does not appear from our records that any previous application has ever been made for the enrollment of these children, and you are advised that under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, the Commission is now without authority to receive or consider the original application for enrollment of any person whatsoever as a citizen of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



Choctaw Fr. 1248

Sam Wright

Fr. 1248

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Sam Wright, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Sam Wright.

Q. How old are you? A. About 34

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Effie Wright.

Q. How old is she? A. 25

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Col. Jones.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Abigail Stephens.

Q. Did she belong to Col. Jones? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, one. Willie Wright

Q. Did your mother belong to Jones or his wife? A. I can't tell.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Which side of the Jones House did Abigail Stephens belong?

A. She belonged to the Chickasaw side, to Susan Jones.

(Enrolled Sam Wright and one child as Chickasaw Freedmen)

## Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*M. Snively*

17-1248  
19-1172

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 21, 1904.

Sam L. Wright,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 12th inst., requesting to be advised if it is possible for yourself, your mother, Abigail Stephens, and your minor son, Willie Wright, to be placed upon the Cheetaw roll. You also request to be ad-

vised relative to your eligibility as a veter in the Cheetaw Nation.

You are informed it appears from our records that Abigail Stephens, now about 58 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Chickasaw freedman, her enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, April 10, 1903.

It further appears from our records that Sam Wright, now about 39 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, and his minor son, Willie Wright, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Cheetaw freedmen, and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

The question of your eligibility as a veter is one over which the Commission has no jurisdiction.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Sam Knight*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *3530*

Chickasaw *Age* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*William Knight* County *Age 7* Year Page

County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1249

Mattie Cubit

Fr. 1249

FRONT 3437

In the matter of the application of Randolph Cubit, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikahi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Randolph Cubit.

Q. How old are you? A. 37

Q. What is your mother's name? A. Jency Cubit.

Q. Who was her master? A. Henry Harris' father.

Q. Have you always lived in this country? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Mattie Cubit? \*

Q. How long have you been married to her? A. 13 years.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Lucy Guess.

Q. Who was Lucy Guess' master? A. I don't know.

Q. Was Andy Guess your wife's father? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is he a state man? A. No sir, he went for a citizen.

Q. Have you any children? A. Yes sir, two.

Q. What are their names? A. Asa and Emma

Q. Do you know who Andy Guess belonged to? A. No sir.

(R. L. Murray states Andy Guess belonged to Alfred Murray, a Chickasaw)

(Enrolled Randolph Cubit as Choctaw Freedman, and his wife and children as Chickasaw freedmen)

*Matter of Mattie Cubit a 96 Roll Red An*

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
Stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, fair and correct reproduction of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*



17-1249

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 13, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been placed upon original Choctaw Freedman enrollment card,  
No. 1249, Mattie Cubit, et al.,

"No. 1 is the daughter of Lucy Guss, whose  
name appears on the 1896 Choctaw Freedman  
roll, Red River County, No. 1533, and who  
died May 18, 1902." June 9, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon the  
duplicate card of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Randolph Cubis  
Choctaw? yes County Red River Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. Not on roll  
Chickasaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_  
Citizen by blood? \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's citizenship Choctaw Androm  
Intermarried citizen? \_\_\_\_\_  
Married under what law? \_\_\_\_\_  
Licenses filed this day, \_\_\_\_\_  
Wife's name, Mattie Cubis  
Choctaw? \_\_\_\_\_ County Red River Year \_\_\_\_\_ No. Not on roll  
Chickasaw? yes County \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_ Page \_\_\_\_\_  
Citizen by blood? \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing  
Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation  
Married under what law? \_\_\_\_\_  
Licenses filed this day \_\_\_\_\_

Names of children:

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| <u>Asa Cubis</u> | <u>13</u> |        |      |      | <u>889</u> |
| <u>Emma</u>      | <u>12</u> |        |      |      | <u>890</u> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1250

Eliza Lewis

Duplicate of Liza Lewis on  
Choctaw Freedman #203

Fr. 1250

CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

1250

*Eliza Lewis.*

*Duplicate of Eliza Lewis*

*on* CHOCTAW FREEDMAN #203.

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Choctaw Fr. 1251

Jack Thompson

Fr. 1251

1251

ENROLLMENT  
CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

Jack Thompson, et, al.

No 4 REFUSED

May 19 1905

Action Approved by Secretary of  
Interior. Jan 28 1905.

1251



Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
Stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Jack Thompson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikohi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Jack Thompson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 45

Q. Whose slave was you? A. Henry Polson's wife.

Q. What was her name? A. Harriet Polson.

Q. What was she, Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. I don't know what she was.

Q. Have you been living right here in the Choctaw Nation all the time? A. Yes sir, bred and born here.

Q. Have you got a wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is her name? A. Anandy.

Q. Who was her mother? A. May Saifax. Her mother was sold into Texas, and my wife was brought back as a baby.

Q. Who did your mother-in-law belong to before she was sold?  
A. McGarhee/

Q. Your wife was born in Texas was she? A. Yes sir.

Q. That was after the war was it? A. Yes sir.

Q. Your wife was a free child when she came back? A. Yes sir.

Q. Didn't your wife's mother come back here after the surrender?  
A. Yes sir.

Q. Did your wife belong to a white man in Texas? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir. Josiah and  
Isolina.

(Refused enrollment of his wife account belonging to a white man in Texas, and her mother belonged to a white man in Texas.

(Jack Thompson and two children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

17-1891.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVIL TRIBES.

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Annaly Thompson as a Chickasaw Freedman.

-- : DECISION. --

It appears from the record herein that on April 21, 1892,  
application was made to this Commission for the enrollment of  
Annaly Thompson as a Chickasaw Freedman.

The name of the applicant appears on the 1890 Census Roll  
of Choctaw Freedmen, Indian County, March 1890. This applica-  
tion is therefore considered as an application for enrollment  
as a Choctaw Freedman.

It further appears from the record herein that the appli-  
cant was born in the state of Texas some time prior to the  
close of the war of the rebellion, and never was a slave of a  
recognized Choctaw or Chickasaw citizen.

It is the opinion of this Commission that  
Annaly Thompson is not entitled to enrollment as a Chickasaw  
Freedman or as a Chickasaw Freedman, and that the application  
for her enrollment should be denied in accordance with the pro-  
visions of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1890 (26 Stat.,  
497), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVIL TRIBES.

Chairman.

Commissioner.

C. R. R. R.

Yukon, Indian Territory.

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17-1251

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1905.

COPY.

Amandy Thompson,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered May 19, 1905, denying the application for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

The decision, with the record of proceedings in the case, is this day transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for review. The final decision of the Secretary will be made known to you as soon as the Commission is informed of the same.

Respectfully,

JAMES BIRBY

Registered.

Chairman.

Incl. 17-1251.

17-1251

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1905.

Manfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

COPY.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission, rendered May 19, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of Amandy Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

The decision, with the record of proceedings in the case, is this day transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for review. The final decision of the Secretary will be made known to you as soon as the Commission is informed of the same.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamc Bixey*

Chairman.

Incl. 17-1251.

Mustang, Indian Territory, May 19, 1905.

The Honorable,

COPY.

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

There is herewith transmitted the record of proceedings in the matter of the application for the enrollment of Amanda Thompson as a Choctaw freedman, including the decision of the Commission dated May 19, 1905, denying said application.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tamr Bixby*

Through the  
Commissary of Indian Affairs.

Chairman.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

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W.C.F. JHE  
June 28, 1905.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Muskogee, Indian Territory,  
Gentlemen:

May 19, 1905, you transmitted the record in the matter of the application for the enrollment of Amandy Thompson as a Choctaw freedman, including your decision of the same date, denying said application.

Reporting May 24, 1905, the Indian Office recommends that your decision be approved. A copy of its letter is inclosed.

The Department concurs in said recommendation, and your decision is hereby affirmed.

Respectfully,

(signed) E. A. Hitchcock  
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

WASHINGTON,

May 24, 1905.

The Honorable,

The Secretary of the Interior.

Sir:

I have the honor to enclose a report from the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated May 19, 1905, transmitting the record of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman by Amandy Thompson.

May 19, 1905, the Commission decided adversely to the applicant.

The record shows that the applicant was born since the war in the State of Texas and her mother belonged to a white man in the State of Texas.

In view of the record the approval of the Commission's decision adverse to the applicant is recommended.

Very Respectfully,

C. F. Larrabee  
Acting Commissioner

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17-1251

Waskogee, Indian Territory, July 8, 1905.

Amandy Thompson,

COPY.

Doaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

You are hereby notified that the Secretary of the Interior under date of June 28, 1905, affirmed the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated May 19, 1905, denying the application for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Jams Bixby*

Commissioner.

17-1251

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 8, 1905.

Copy.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Gentlemen:

You are hereby notified that the Secretary of the Interior under date of June 28, 1905, affirmed the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, dated May 19, 1905, denying the application for the enrollment of Amandy Thompson as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tame Birby*

Commissioner.

# Choctaw Nation. Freedmen Roll.

CARD NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
FIELD NO. 1134

| No.                                                                                                                      | Relationship to Person first Named. | AGE. | SEX. | FEDERAL ENROLLMENT. |         |      | SLAVE OF.    | REMARKS. |
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| 17                                                                                                                       | Daughter                            | 14   | F    | 1896                | "       | 3306 |              |          |
| 18                                                                                                                       | Wife                                | 26   | "    | 1896                | "       | 3309 |              |          |
| Nos 1 to 4 inclusive transferred from Chickasaw Freedman Card 1175                                                       |                                     |      |      |                     |         |      |              |          |
| No 4 Refused by Commission to Five Civilized Tribes of 1903 and affirmed by Department June 28, 1905 (2706214-1703) 1905 |                                     |      |      |                     |         |      |              |          |
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OF INTERIOR

REASON  
FOR REFUSAL

District: Choctaw  
 Post Office: Doak

# Chickasaw Nation. Freedmen Roll.

FILE NO.

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and Nos 1 to 4 inclusive transferred to Choctaw freedmen and 1896

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 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON REVERSE SIDE.

Printed numbers in first column refer to tribal names on reverse side.

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|-------------------|--------------------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----------------|
| Jack Thompson and |                                                  | Jack Thompson   | Mary Thompson   |                                                 | Harriet Polson  |
| No. 1             |                                                  |                 | Mandy Thompson  |                                                 |                 |
| No. 1             |                                                  |                 | "               |                                                 | "               |
| Jack Byrne and    |                                                  | Jack Byrne      | Mary Aifair     | 1896                                            | "               |



*Fraxinus*

4-1

Name Jack Thompson

City Lawrence County Lawson

Chickadee *Yes*

Citizen by blood? ☐ Mother's citizenship ☒

Intermarried citizen ? yes residing

Married under what law? China, Taiwan, Nation

Licensed this day.

**Who's name**

**County** \_\_\_\_\_ **Your** \_\_\_\_\_ **No.** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Obey the Law!** **Mother's citizenship.**

Interrogated citizen ?...

Started under what law?

License filed this day --

Names of children:

Spencer Thompson

ancient

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Q. The better of the two? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Was she enrolled in the United States Army?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. What was her name? A. Elizabeth.

Q. What was she, Elizabeth or Elizabeth A.?

A. Elizabeth.

Q. Have you been living right here in the city since you got here?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you get a wife? A. Yes, sir.

Q. What was her name? A. Mary.

Q. Was her mother? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did my wife ever brought back as a baby?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did your mother-in-law belong to before she was married?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Your wife was born in Texas was she? A. Yes, sir.

Q. What was after the war was it? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Your wife was a free child when she came back? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Didn't your wife's mother come back here after the war?

A. Yes, sir.

Q. Was your wife belong to a white man in Texas? A. Yes, sir.

Q. Did you get any children? A. Yes, sir. English and

English enrollment of his wife account belonging to a white man in Texas, and her mother belonged to a white man in Texas. Black Thompson and two children enrolled as Chickasaw Indians.

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In further entries from our records that the following persons are listed as being in the household of the Thompsons, and their children, Emma Thompson, William, Joseph and Frances Thompson, and their grandsons, John Thompson, William Thompson and her minor children, Mary Brunner, Mary, Henry, Willie, Tom and Robert Thompson, and her grandsons, Otto Ray Brunner, Jack Thompson and his children, John and William Thompson, are listed in the records of the household of the Thompsons, and their names have been entered in the records of the household of the Thompsons.

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CHOCTAW FREEDMEN ROLL.

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IN CHARGE

# CHOCTAW

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Chester Freedman  
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1225-1251.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Beakville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 23rd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Pink Thompson, Mary Gress, Isham Jackson and Minerva Christian, and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mary Gress and her granddaughter, Curtelia Brown; Isham Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben, Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chester freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Department, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and their children, Emma Hampton, Edy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and their grandson, Lyne Hampton; Minerva McChristian and her minor children, Rosy Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner; Jack Thompson and his children, Josiah



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and Lucinda Thompson, are applicants to this Commission for enrollment as Chester freedmen and their names have been placed upon a schedule of Chester freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

Pink Thompson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 25th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your self and family, Minerva McChristian, Jack Thompson, Isaac Jackson and Mary Gross and their families.

You are informed it appears from our records that Pink Thompson, his wife, Lucy Thompson, and his children, Emma Hampton, Eddy, Walter, Jimmie and Freeman Thompson, and his grandson, Lyins Hampton,; Minerva McChristian and her children, Reay Brunner, Mary, Henry, Lillie, Tena and Elmore McChristian, and her granddaughter, Otta May Brunner, and Jack Thompson and his minor children, Josiah and Lucinda Thompson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Ananda Thompson, wife of Jack Thompson, is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Isaac Jackson, his wife, Julia Ann Jackson, and their children, Willie, Ben,

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Anderson, Mitchell, Josephine and Emma Jackson, and Mary Gross and her grand-daughter, Cornelia Brown, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, February 16, 1904.

Respectfully,

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Chairman.

17-1251

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 23, 1905.

Chief Clerk,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to Choctaw freedman roll card No. 1251 Jack Thompson et al., you are advised that a red line has this day been drawn through No. 4 thereon, Amandy Thompson. You are therefore directed to make like change upon the duplicate Choctaw freedman card in the possession of your office and place the following notation in red ink:

"No. 4 Refused by Commission to Five Civilized Tribes by decision of May 19, 1905, and affirmed by Department June 28, 1905 (I T D 6214-1905) D C 32460-1905."

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

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MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Jack Thompson

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Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship ~~Choctaw~~

Intermarried citizen? ~~Choctaw~~ ~~Indian~~

Married under what law? ~~NOT~~

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Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

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Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

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ENROLLMENT  
CHOCTAW FREEDMAN

Matt Freeman, et, al.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of Mary  
Belcher as a Choctaw Freedman.

Mary Belcher, Choctaw Freedman Card 1262.

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Matt Freeman to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Matt Freeman.

Q. How old are you? A. 27

Q. Who was your mother? A. Mary Lewis.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Sampson Folsom and Kitty Folsom.

Q. Who was your father? A. Joe Freeman.

Q. Whose slave was he? A. I don't know.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Ella.

Q. Whom was her mother? A. Julia Jackson.

Q. Who was her master? A. Henry Folsom.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, three.

Q. What are their names? A. Myrtle, Phoebe and Arabella.

Q. Have you always lived in the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. Never lived in Arkansas or Texas? A. No sir.

Matt Freeman: I have my sister's child living with me, her name is Mary Belcher. My sister is dead.

Q Is she your full sister? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Matt Freeman, his wife, three children, and Niece)  
as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my official oath as  
Scriber to above named Commission that this  
transcript is a true and correct translation of  
the foregoing.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Mena, Arkansas, May 31, 1906.

In the matter of the enrollment of Mary Belcher as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, Card Number 1252.

Testimony taken at Fort Towson, Indian Territory, May 2, 1906.

JORDAN FOLSON, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

BY THE COMMISSIONER:

- Q What is your name? A Jordan Folson.
- Q What is your age? A I am sixty-odd years old.
- Q What is your post office address? A Fort Towson, I. T.
- Q Are you a freedman of the Choctaw Nation?
- A Yes, sir.
- Q Are you acquainted with Mary Belcher? A Yes, sir.
- Q How old is this child?
- A I do not know exactly, she may be 8 or 9 years old, probably.
- Q Who is the mother of this child? A Margaret Belcher.
- Q Who is the father? A Jim Belcher.
- Q Was Jim Belcher a freedman of the Choctaw Nation?
- A He was a citizen of Texas or Arkansas.
- Q Was he a non-citizen of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
- Q Was Margaret Belcher, the mother of Mary Belcher, a freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes, sir.
- Q Was Mary Belcher born since the emancipation of the slaves?
- A Yes, sir, since the war--several years since.
- Q Who were the parents of Margaret Belcher?
- A Her father was Joe Freeman, I think her mother was named Mary--she went by Mary Freeman at the time--she married a Lewis at one time--her husband was named Manuel Lewis, a nephew of mine.
- Q What member of the Choctaw-Chickasaw tribe of Indians owned Joe Freeman?
- A Brit Willis or Margaret, but Brit owned the best claim on him--Brit always claimed him.
- Q What member of the Choctaw-Chickasaw Tribe of Indians owned Mary Freeman or Mary Lewis?
- A She belonged on what was called the Chickasaw side; old Sampson Folson got her from his wife, but when the thing was proved old Sam was a Chickasaw himself.
- Q Was Margaret Belcher an undoubted freedman of the Choctaw or the Chickasaw Nation?
- A Yes, sir, she was a freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation. She was small when they were adopted.
- Q Has Margaret Belcher any brothers or sisters enrolled as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation?
- A Well, when they enrolled they all enrolled as freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation, but it has been changed and after a while it was said they would all come on the Choctaw roll; that's the way we got it here.
- Q Has any brothers or sisters who have got land?
- A She has a brother and Matt Freeman who is enrolled as a freed-

In Re the Application of Mary Belcher ---#2---Jordan Folsom, Witness.

man of the Choctaw Nation; she had a sister by the name of Lizzie Folsom (she is now a Williams) who was enrolled and got land; she drew her 40 and Matt has drawn his 40, and she has another brother living up near Lehigh who has drawn his.

Q Do you know as a matter of fact that all brothers and sisters of Margaret Belcher are approved freedmen of the Choctaw Nation?

A Yes, sir, they are, because they drew lands.

Q Do you consider Mary Belcher, daughter of Margaret Belcher, to be entitled to enrollment as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation?

A Yes, sir.

Q Was your master and old man Sam Folsom considered kin?

A Yes, sir, they were considered cousins.

Q You mentioned being a freedman of the Choctaw Nation: who was your master?

A Henry Folsom was my master and also my father.

Q Is Margaret Belcher living or dead? A She's dead.

Q When did she die?

A She died when this child Mary was about two years old; I was there the evening she died.

Witness Excused.

Testimony taken at Fort Towson, I. T., May 2, 1906, in re the enrollment of Mary Belcher.

AMELIA FOLSON, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

BY THE COMMISSIONER:

Q What is your name? A Amelia Folsom.

Q What is your age? A 52.

Q What is your post office address? A Ft. Towson, I. T.

Q Are you a freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations?

A Choctaw Nation.

Q To whom did you belong in slavery? A Henry Folsom.

Q Were you acquainted with Margaret Belcher? A Yes, sir.

Q Who was her husband? A Jim Belcher.

Q Was Margaret Belcher born during slavery or after emancipation?

A She was born after slavery.

Q Who was the mother of Margaret Belcher?

A Her mother was Mary Lewis.

Q Who was the father of Margaret Belcher? A Joe Freeman.

Q Who did Joe Freeman belong to at the time of emancipation?

A Mr. Willis--Brit Willis.

Q Was Brit Willis a citizen of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations?

A He was considered a Choctaw--his wife was a Choctaw.

Q Who was the owner of Mary Lewis at the time of the emancipation?

A Sampson Folsom.

Q Was Sampson Folsom a citizen of the Choctaw or the Chickasaw Nation? A He was a Choctaw.

Q Can you mention a brother or brothers of Margaret Belcher?

A Yes, sir, Matt--Matt Freeman.

Q About how old is Matt Freeman? A I do not know.

Q Is Matt Freeman a freedman of the Choctaw Nation?

A Oh, yes, he's got a right here.

Q What is Matt Freeman's present post office address?

A Fort Towson, I. T.

Q Is Matt Freeman a full brother, by the same father and mother, of Margaret Belcher? A Yes, sir.

Q Can you mention a sister of Margaret Belcher?

A Lizzie Folsom, she has married a man by the name of Williams.

In Re the application of Mary Belcher-----#3---Analia Polson, Wit.

Q Is Liz zie Polson an approved freedman of the Choctaw Nation?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q Have Matt Freeman and Lizzie Polson, full brother and sister respectively of Margaret Belcher, made selection of lands as Choctaw freedmen in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nations?  
A Yes, sir.  
Q Is Margaret Belcher now living? A No, sir.  
Q When did she die?  
A Several years ago.

Witness Excused.

W. P. Covington, being duly sworn, states that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in the above case at place and on date stated.

*W. P. Covington*

Subscribed and sworn to be for me, this *9th* day

of *June* 1906.

*[Signature]*  
Notary Public.



17-1252.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Mary Belcher as a Choctaw freedman.

DECISION.

It appears from the record herein that on April 21, 1899, at Alikchi, Indian Territory, Matt Freeman appeared before the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes and made application for the enrollment, among others, of his niece, Mary Belcher, as a Chickasaw freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter of this application at Fort Towson, Indian Territory, on May 2, 1906.

The evidence in this case shows that Mary Belcher is a minor child of Margaret Belcher, now deceased, who was born subsequent to the War of the Rebellion, and was a full sister of said Matt Freeman, a recognized and enrolled Choctaw freedman, whose name appears opposite number 4042 upon a list prepared by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), of persons entitled to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen; and that the said Mary Belcher has resided continuously in the Choctaw Nation from the date of her birth up to and including September 25, 1902.

I am, therefore, of the opinion that Mary Belcher should be enrolled as a Choctaw freedman, in accordance with the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 2, 1893 (30 Stats., 495), and July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), and it is so ordered.

  
Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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COPY

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 1, 1906.

Matt Freeman,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered September 1, 1906, granting the application for the enrollment of Mary Belcher as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of this decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Mary Belcher will be placed upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen, to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

*Wm. C. C.*

Acting Commissioner.

Registered.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 1, 1906.

Jim Belcher,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, on September 1, 1906, rendered his decision granting the application for the enrollment of Mary Belcher as a Choctaw freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of the decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Mary Belcher will be placed upon the final roll of Choctaw Freedmen, to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

*J. M. C. I.*  
Acting Commissioner.

Registered.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 1, 1906.

Ansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered September 1, 1906, granting the application for the enrollment of Mary Pelcher as a Choctaw freedman.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against her enrollment. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, the name of Mary Pelcher will be placed upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

Registered.

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Stungo Ind. Ter.  
May 17, 1906

Lacey P. Bobo:

Valiant Ind. Ter.

Sirs,

Your letter to Lacy and al.  
Now me to say that aforesaid  
Mary Belcher is not with me  
at present. Mary's father's name  
is John Belcher and her mother's  
name Margaret Belcher, also  
her father is living now near  
me but her mother is dead.  
Mary's mother was a Margaret  
Freeman before her marriage.

Respectfully

John Freeman



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Arabella Freeman

as a citizen of

Michigan

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child listed for  
enrollment April 21 1899

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
 of *Arabella Freeman* born on the *14* day of *May*, 1897  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *Matt Freeman* a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Elly Freeman* a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
 Post-office *Fort Towson, Ind. Ter.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Elly Freeman*, on oath state that I am  
 years of age and a citizen, by *adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *Matt Freeman*, who is a citizen, by  
*adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *Female* child was  
 (male or female.)  
 born to me on *14* day of *May*, 1897; that said child has been  
 named *Arabella Freeman* and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses.)

*Agnes Radford*  
*Elzy Fulson*  
*Elly Freeman* mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16* day of *Feb*, 1904.

*Thomas Fennell*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Ellen Radford*, a midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Elly Freeman*, wife of *Matt Freeman*,  
 on the *14* day of *May*, 1897, that there was born to her on  
 child; that said child is now living and is said to have been

*Ellen Radford* mark  
*Ellen Radford*  
*A. B. Radford*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16* day of *Feb*, 1904.

*Thomas Fennell*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

*For*

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD

*J. C. Freeman*  
a citizen of

(*Indi*)

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Approved, *APR 6 1901*

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*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER OF THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS.  
**FILED**

APR 6 1901

*[Signature]*

ACTING CHIEF

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Joe Freeman (Here insert name of child), born on the 6 day of March, 1907  
Name of Father: Mat Freeman, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Ella Freeman, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Doukville, I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Ella Freeman, on oath state that I am 35 years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that I am the lawful wife of Mat Freeman, who is a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation, that a male child was (male or female.) born to me on the 6 day of March, 1907; that said child has been named Joe Freeman, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARR:

Ella Freeman.

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of March, 1907.

R. G. Coth

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central District.

I, Hetta Wartham, a Midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Ella Freeman, wife of Mat Freeman, on the 6 day of March, 1907; that there was born to her on said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Joe Freeman.

WITNESSES TO MARR:

Hetta Wartham.

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 30 day of March, 1907.

R. G. Coth

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Washington, Indian Territory, March 11, 1904.

Mr. Freeman,

Goodland, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

On May 20th, 1899 when you appeared before the Commission as an applicant for enrollment as a Freedman, you stated at that time you had living with you and had the custody of Mary Belcher about three years of age, whose father was Jim Belcher and whose mother was Margaret Belcher.

Is this child living with you at this time or does she live with your brother, Ned Freeman at Deckerville, Indian Territory. Please inform us promptly in regard to this matter.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

14-2001

13-1194

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 12, 1900.

Mr. Brown,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

On April 21st, 1899 when you appeared before the Commission as an applicant for the enrollment of yourself and family as Chickasaw freedmen you made an application for the enrollment of Mary Belcher and stated that she was living with you. Her age given at that time was four years and the name of her father as Jim Belcher and her mother Margaret Belcher, both deceased.

You will kindly inform the Commission at your earliest convenience if this child is living with you or your brother, John Freeman, at Goodland, Indian Territory. Please give this matter your prompt attention.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1176

19-1301



Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 5, 1901.

Mr. Matt Freeman,

Doaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:-

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freeman of Joe Freeman, infant son of Matt and Ella Freeman, born March 5, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freeman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1174

Goodland I. T.

April 11 - the 1901-

Mr. Chairman. Dear Sir

I just received your letter today, and  
truly glade to hear from you.  
the little girl mary belcher is living right with me at Goodland  
Indian Territory. Mat freeman has nothing to do with her at all.  
go this is all I has to say.

Yours truly

John Freeman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 18, 1901.

Mr. John Freeman,  
Goodland, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 11th inst., in which you state that the child, Mary Belcher, concerning whom the Commission wrote you under date of March 18, 1901, is living with you at Goodland, Indian Territory, and that Matt Freeman has nothing to do with her at all.

For your prompt attention in this matter you have the thanks of the Commission.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1901.

Mr. Mat Freeman,  
Deaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of recent date, giving information relative to Mary Belcher. The information contained in your letter has been made a matter of record by the Commission.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1176

19-1301

17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Matt Freeman,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Arabella Freeman, as a Choctaw freedman, you are hereby advised that, before anything further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of said child, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with an affidavit as to her birth, a blank affidavit for that purpose being enclosed you herewith.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mar, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

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B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1904.

Matt Freeman,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Ella Freeman and Ellen Ratford, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Arabella Freeman, May 16, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw enrollment card No. 1252:

"No. 5 born May 16, 1897; proof of birth filed  
Feb'y. 17, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon  
duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 15, 1904.

Matt Freeman,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of your minor children, Mary Belcher, and Arybell Freeman.

You are advised it appears from our records that Arabella Freeman has been duly enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman, her enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

It further appears that Mary Belcher is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but her name has not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation, to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1252.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 27, 1905.

John Freeman,

Goodland, Indian Territory.

Dear sir:

In the matter of the application for enrollment of Mary Belcher as a Choctaw Freedman, you are advised that before disposition can be made of said application, it will be necessary for witnesses to appear before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, who can testify relative to the right of said Mary Belcher to be enrolled as a Choctaw Freedman.

Such appearance should be made at the earliest possible date, in order that said application may be disposed of.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 21, 1905.

Matt Freeman,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It appears from the records of this office that you made application for the enrollment of your niece, Mary Belcher, as a Choctaw Freedman, but you are advised that the evidence in this case is insufficient to determine her rights as such freedman.

You are, therefore, requested to appear in person at this office at Muskogee, Indian Territory, at an early date as practicable and give testimony relative to the rights of your niece, Mary Belcher.

This matter should receive your prompt attention, as nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of Mary Belcher until you so appear and testify.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

17-1252

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1906.

Simon Thompson,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 28, 1906, in which you refer to Mary Belcher and Joanna Freeman and state that you do not understand why all the others have filed except these persons, you also state that you are unable to pay the expense of sending witnesses to Muskogee, and ask if the witnesses can not go before a Notary Public in lieu of their personal appearance.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the information contained therein is not sufficient to enable this office to identify Joanna Freeman upon its records as an applicant for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

You are further advised that evidence is necessary to establish the rights of Margaret Belcher, Mother of Mary Belcher, to enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, in the matter of the enrollment of this child.

If it is impracticable to procure the personal appearance of the witnesses and you desire to introduce affidavits in support of her claim, the same will be filed with the record in this case,

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although it is desirable, if practicable, that the witnesses in these cases appear in person for examination.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.



# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name W. Freeman Age 28

Choctaw? County Freeman Year No. 1298

Chickasaw? Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship in Oklahoma

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day, Age 24

Wife's name, W. Freeman

Choctaw? County Year No. 1299

Chickasaw? Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship in Oklahoma

Intermarried citizen? in Oklahoma

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|          |                |        |      |      |                 |
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| <u>4</u> | <u>Freeman</u> | County | Year | Page | No. <u>221</u>  |
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THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

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Choctaw Fr. 1253

Catherine Looney

Fr. 1253

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Catherine Loney, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Catherine Loney.

Q. How old are you? A. 50

Q. Who was your master? A. Sam Folsom.

Q. Who was your mistress? A. Kitty Folsom.

Q. What were they? A. Chickasaws.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, but they are all enrolled.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you ever live outside of the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes sir, two years.

Q. How long ago since you moved out? A. A Long time ago.

Q. How long did you stay there in the Choctaw Nation after the surrender? A. I lived here all the time?

Q. Didn't you say you went off two years? A. Yes sir, I just stayed in Texas two years.

Q. How long ago was that? A. It was a good while after the Surrender.

(Enrolled as Chickasaw)Freedman)

*W A Smiley*

17-1253

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 28, 1903.

Catherine Luney,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 18, 1903, in which you ask if your enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Catherine Looney has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman; but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1253

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 12, 1904.

Catherine Looney,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 5, 1904, acknowledging receipt of Commission's letter of recent date, in which you were advised that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. You state that you were placed on the Chickasaw list, and you wish to be informed if this is a mistake; also if your name is approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that your name appears on the 1896 census roll of Choctaw freedmen, and you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of freedman of said Nation, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



17-2253  
17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 21, 1904.

Catherine Luney,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 30, 1903, in which you ask that your name and the name of Mitchell Harkins be forwarded to the Choctaw Land Office.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Catherine Looney and Mitchell Harkins, and his seven minor children have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It is suggested, however, that you communicate again with the Commission in about two months when you will be advised as to whether or not your enrollment has been approved.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
1253;1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 25, 1904.

Catherine Loney,

Sawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 10, asking the status of the enrollment of yourself and Mitchell Harkins.

In reply to your letter you are advised that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior. The Commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon.

You are further advised that Mitchell Harkins and his seven minor children have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Department.

If you will furnish a description of the land which you desire to select in allotment, and on which you have improvements, proper notation thereof will be made upon our records and you will be notified in the event any other person makes application for the same land and will be permitted to institute contest proceedings therefor.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 31, 1904.

Catherine Luney,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 22, relative to your enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman and in reply you are advised that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw Freedmen, which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for approval, but the Commission has not yet been advised of any Departmental action thereon.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Robert Henry Age 50

Choctaw ? County Year No. 2332

Chickasaw Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw - Indian

Intermarried citizen ? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ? County Year No.

Chickasaw ? County Year Page

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1254

Milly Jackson

Fr. 1254

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Milly Jackson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Milly Jackson.

Q. How old are you? A. 24

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Mandy Shoals.

Q. Who was her master? A. Robert Jones, and Susan Jones.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know who Milly Jackson's mother belonged to? A.

She belonged to Susan Jones, a Chickasaw.

(Enrolled Milly Jackson as a Chickasaw freedman)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*



# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21-1899.

Name Milly Jackson Age 24

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 2068

Chickasaw Yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

| County | Year | Page | No. |
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Choctaw Fr. 1255

Margaret Redford

Fr. 1255

*For*

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

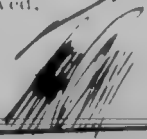
*Julia Kierstead*  
as a citizen of

*Wisconsin*

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Approved, APR 6 1901

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Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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ACTING MANAGER

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Julia Radford*, born on the *9* day of *Sept*, 1900.  
Name of Father: *A. E. Radford*, a citizen of the *Chactaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Margaret Radford*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Post-office, *Shelby, Miss.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Margaret Radford*, on oath state that I am *23*  
years of age and a citizen, by *Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *A. E. Radford*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Chactaw* Nation, that a *female* child was  
born to me on the *9* day of *Sept.* 1900, that said child has been  
named *Julia Radford*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *30* day of *March*, 190*1*.

*Margaret Radford*

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Ellen Radford*, a *midwife*, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Margaret Radford*, wife of *A. E. Radford*,  
on the *9* day of *Sept*, 1900; that there was born to her on  
said date a *female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named *Julia Radford*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *30* day of *March*, 190*1*.

*Ellen Radford*

NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Munson Radford

as citizen of

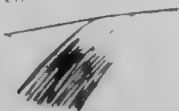
Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

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Commissioner

Brook & Leitch & Child  
 asked for enrollment 11/21/99

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Nimpen Radford, born on the 18th day of Feb, 1899.  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Arin Radford a citizen of the Chactaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Margaret Radford a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Fort Towner Indian Res.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Margaret Radford, on oath state that I am 26  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Arin Radford, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Chactaw Nation; that a Male child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 18th day of Feb, 1899, that said child has been named  
Nimpen Radford, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Margaret RadfordMust be Two  
WitnessesSubscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of February, 1904.Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Fattie Wortham, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Margaret Radford, wife of Arin Radford,  
 on the 18th day of Feb, 1899, that there was born to her on said  
 date a Male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Nimpen Radford.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Fattie WorthamMust be Two  
WitnessesSubscribed and sworn to before me this 27th day of February, 1904.Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

C. L. Allen Radford

is a citizen of

Cherokee

Nation.

Approved



This

Commissioner

Proof of birth of child  
listed for enrollment 1/1/99

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
FILED



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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Ada Ann Radford, born on the 12 day of March  
(Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Arren Radford a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Margaret Radford citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Post-office Fort Tawson, Ind Ter

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Margaret Radford, on oath state that I am 26  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Arren Radford, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
(Male or female)  
 born to me on 12 day of March, 1898; that said child has been named  
Ada Ann Radford, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

27th day of

Feb

1904

Thomas F. Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Ellen Radford, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Margaret Radford, wife of Arren Radford  
 on the 12 day of March, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
 date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Ada Ann Radford  
(MALE OR FEMALE)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
 Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

27th day of

February

1904

Thomas F. Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 8, 1901.

Mrs. Margaret Radford,

Deaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:-

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Julia Radford, infant daughter of A. H. and Margaret Radford, born September 9, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 31, 1903.

Aron Radford,

Doaksville, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 24, stating that you have been informed that freedmen will only receive twenty acres of bottom land. You ask if this is true, and give the numbers of the land you desire to select in allotment for yourself and your family.

In reply to your letter you are advised that under the provisions of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902, the freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations will receive allotments of forty acres of the average allottable land of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

In a separate communication you have been furnished a plat showing the classification of the land described by you, and a table of the appraised value of the lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, which also shows the number of acres of each class which constitute an allotment for citizens and freedmen.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1255

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Margaret Radford,  
Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Oda Ann and Umpson Radford, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, you are hereby advised that, before anything further can be done in the matter of their enrollment, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said children. To assist you in making these affidavits there are enclosed you herewith two blanks, which you are requested to immediately have filled out and returned to the Commission.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Rev.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1255

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 28, 1904.

Margaret Radford,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Hattie Wortham, relative to the birth of your minor son, Umson Radford, February 1, 1899, also your affidavit and that of Ellen Radford relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Oda Ann Radford March 12, 1898, and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17--298  
17-1258

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 6, 1904.

Aaron Radford,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 30, 1904, requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed that the enrollment of Aaron Radford as a Choctaw freedman, was approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 11, 1903.

You are further advised that the enrollment of Margaret and Julia Radford, as Choctaw freedmen, was approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

The names of your two minor children, Oda Ann and Umpson Radford, have not been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1255

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 28, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Cherokee Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Cherokee freedman enrollment card, number 1255, Margaret Radford, et al., and to the duplicate thereof in your possession, you are advised that the following notations have this day been placed upon said card:

"No. 2 born March 12, 1898; proof of birth filed March 28, 1904."

"No. 3 born Feby. 1, 1899; proof of birth filed March 28, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon the duplicate of the corresponding number.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Friedman

MEMORANDA

(Date)

4-21

1899

Name

Aaron Radford

Choctaw?

yes

County

Chickasaw

Year

No. Not on roll

Chickasaw?

County

Chickasaw

Year

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Choctaw Friedman

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Apr 24

Wife's name

Margaret Radford on roll as Margaret Jackson

Choctaw?

County

Chickasaw

Year

No. 2014

Chickasaw?

yes

County

Chickasaw

Year

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Chickasaw Residing

Intermarried citizen?

in

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

14 M. Oda Ann Radford

County

Chickasaw

Year

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No. Not on roll

2 M. Thompson Radford

County

Chickasaw

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Choctaw Fr. 1256

Phoebe Williams

Fr. 1256

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Patsy Williams*

as a citizen of

*Cherokee*

Nation.

Approved

*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

*Proof of birth of child  
listed for enrollment, 12/1/99*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
FILED

*[Signature]*

Chairman.

1256

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Patsy Williams (Here insert name of child) born on the 28 day of March, 1897  
 Name of Father: George Williams a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Phoebe Williams citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Post-office Fort Nowson St.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Phoebe Williams, on oath state that I am 24  
 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of George Williams, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on 28 day of March, 1897 that said child has been named  
Patsy Williams, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Phoebe Williams

Must be Two  
 Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of May, 1904

Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Central District.

I, Eddie Williams, a Mid wife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Phoebe Williams, wife of George Williams  
 on the 28 day of March, 1897, that there was born to her on said  
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Patsy Williams

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Eddie Williams

Must be Two  
 Witnesses

Phoebe Williams  
John Brown

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14 day of May, 1904

Thomas Fennell

NOTARY PUBLIC.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Steph Williams*

as a citizen of the

*Cherokee* Nation.

Approved

1900

Commissioner.

F I L E D

DEC 24 1902

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE APPLICATION FOR ENROLLMENT, as a citizen of the Cherokee Nation,  
of Sida Williams, born on the 28 day of Sept, 1900  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Geo Williams, a citizen of the Cherokee Nation.  
Name of Mother: Pheby Williams, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-Office: Doakville Ind Ter

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

I, Pheby Williams, on oath state that I am 23 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that I am the lawful wife of Geo Williams, who is a citizen, by adoption, of the Cherokee Nation, that a Female child was born to me on the 28 day of Sept, 1900; that said child has been named Sida Williams, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of Dec, 1902.

Thomas Fennell  
Notary Public.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

I, Eida Williams, a Midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Pheby Williams, wife of Geo Williams, on the 28 day of Sept, 1900; that there was born to her on said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Sida Williams.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17 day of Dec, 1902.

Thomas Fennell  
Notary Public.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of  
INFANT CHILD.

*Julius Williams*

As a citizen of the

*United States*

Nation.

Approved

*[Signature]*

Commissioner.

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Department of the Interior,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Julius William, born on the 28 day of August, 1899  
Name of father: George William, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of mother: Pheby William, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post Office: Loaksville Ind. Te

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

I, Pheby William, on oath, state that I am 21 years of age and a  
citizen, by Blood Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that I am the  
lawful wife of George William, who is a citizen, by Blood, of the  
Choctaw Nation; that a boy child was born to me on the 28th day  
of August, 1899; that said child has been named Julius William,  
and is now living.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of Oct, 1899.

R. G. Carter

Notary Public.



AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
Central District. }

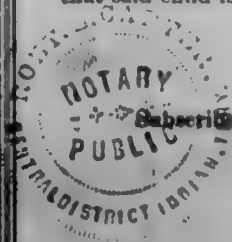
I, Eddie William, a midwife, on oath, state that I  
attended on Mrs. Pheby William, wife of George William  
on the 28 day of August, 1899; that there was born to her on said date a boy child;  
that said child is now living and is said to have been named Julius William.

Eddie William

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16th day of Oct, 1899.

R. G. Carter

Notary Public.



19-1180.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 30, 1902.

Phoebe Williams,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Ida Williams, infant daughter of George and Pheby Williams, born September 28, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Georgie Williams, infant daughter of George and Pheby Williams, born November 18, 1902.

You are advised that the Commission is without authority to enroll this child, it appearing that it was born November 18, 1902, subsequent to the date of the ratification on September 25, 1902, of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902.

Section twenty-eight thereof is as follows:

"The names of all persons living on the date of the final ratification of this agreement entitled to be enrolled as provided in section 27 hereof shall be placed upon the rolls made by said Commission; and no child born

Phoebe Williams—2

thereafter to a citizen or freedman and no person intermarried thereafter to a citizen shall be entitled to enrollment or to participate in the distribution of the tribal property of the Choctaws and Chickasaws."

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.



17-1256

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 28, 1904.

Phoebe Williams,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Patsy Williams, as a Choctaw freedman, you are hereby advised that, before anything further can be done in the matter of her enrollment, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said child. To assist you in making these affidavits there is enclosed you herewith a blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1256

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 18, 1904.

Phoebe Williams,

Doaksville, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your affidavit and that of Eddie Williams relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Patsy Williams, March 28, 1897, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1256

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 19, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been placed upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,  
No. 1256, Phoebe Williams, et al.,

"No. 2 born March 28, 1897: proof  
of birth filed May 18, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon  
the corresponding duplicate in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-299  
17-1256

Wahkago, Indian Territory, June 12, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chickasaw Land Office,

Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Chectaw freedman enrollment card, No. 299, George Williams, and to the duplicate thereof in your possession, you are requested to place thereon the following notation:

"Wife and three children on Chectaw freedman card, No. 1256."

Referring to original Chectaw freedman enrollment card, No. 1256, Phoebe Williams, et al.; and to the duplicate thereof in your possession and the notation thereon which reads;

"Husband of No. 1 and father of Nos. 2, 3 and 4, on 17-299, testimony in 17-299."

you are advised that the same should be corrected to read, "17-299."

Respectfully,

Chad Yuma

17-299  
17-1256

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 18, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Cheetaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to original Cheetaw freedman enrollment card, No. 299, George Williams, and to the duplicate thereof in your possession, you are requested to place thereon the following notation:

"Wife and three children on Cheetaw  
freedman card, No. 1256."

Referring to original Cheetaw freedman enrollment card, No. 1256, Phoebe Williams, et al., and to the duplicate thereof in your possession and the notation thereon which reads,

"Husband of No. 1 and father of  
Nos. 2, 3, and 4, on 19-299,  
testimony in 19-299"

you are advised that the name should be corrected to read, "17-299."

Respectfully,

Chairman

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

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(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Leo Williams  
Choctaw yes County Nowata Year No. 3451  
Chickasaw ? County Cedar Year Page  
Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship Choctaw Friedman  
Intermarried citizen ?  
Married under what law ?  
License filed this day  
Wife's name, Phoebe Williams as well as Phoebe Jackson  
Choctaw ? County Cedar Year No. 2016  
Chickasaw ? yes County Year Page  
Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw  
Intermarried citizen ? residing in Choctaw Nation  
Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

1 yr Patsy Williams Chickasaw Year Page No. new born  
County Year Page No.  
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Choctaw Fr. 1257

Nero Powell

Fr. 1257

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FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Nero Powell, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 26th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Nero Powell.

Q. How old are you? A. About 52

Q. Who was your master? A. R. M. Jones.

Q. Did you belong to Jones himself? A. When I waked up to know myself, I belonged to him.

Lin Colbert states under oath that he belonged to Susie Jones, and is a Chickasaw.

Q. Have you always lived here in the Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Josephine.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. yes sir, one. Henry Powell.

Q. Where is he? A. He is in jail at Antlers.

Q. What was his mother's name? A. Milly Blue.

Q. Did he ever go by any other name? A. No sir

Q. Who did Milly Blue belong to? A. She belonged to a man by the name of Blue.

Q. He is your son is he? A. Yes sir.

Q. Were you married to Henry's Mother? A. Yes sir.

Lin Colbert states under oath that Tom Lewis bought this boy's mother here. He was a Chickasaw)

Department of the Interior,  
(Enrolled Nero Powell and son as Chickasaw Freedman).

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smith*

Choctaw D 11; 3666.  
Choctaw Freedman  
241; D 11.  
Chickasaw Freedman  
1237.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 17, 1903.

W. M. Winningham,

Attorney at Law,

South McAlester, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 14, asking the status of the enrollment of J. F. Gilstrap and his wife, Ida Gilstrap and their children, as citizens of the Choctaw Nation; also the status of John Herren as an intermarried citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

You further ask if Henry Powell, Ed Radford and Sam Butler are enrolled as Choctaw or Chickasaw freedmen.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Ida Gilstrap and her children, Clara, Wheeler and Luke Gilstrap, have been enrolled by the Commission as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior. J. F. Gilstrap has been enrolled as an intermarried citizen of the Choctaw Nation, but his enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that the Commission has not yet passed upon the application of John L. Herren for enrollment as an intermarried citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

Y M W 2

You are informed that Sam Butler, of Harris, Indian Territory, has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and his enrollment as such has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that Henry Powell has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman but his name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You are also informed that it appears from our records that Edward Radford, of Valliant, Indian Territory, son of Caroline Prince and Calvin Radford, is an applicant to this Commission for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, but no decision has yet been reached or opinion rendered relative to his right to such enrollment.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

# MEMORANDA.

Name Hero Powell Date) 4-26 1899.

Choctaw? County Adair Year No. 2782

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw during

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                     |                         |      |      |                    |
|---------------------|-------------------------|------|------|--------------------|
| <u>Henry Powell</u> | County <u>Chickasaw</u> | Year | Page | No. <u>on roll</u> |
|                     | County                  | Year | Page | No.                |
|                     | County                  | Year | Page | No.                |
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Choctaw Fr. 1258

Ambrose Green

Fr 1261



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Ambrose Green, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 20th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Ambrose Green?

Q. How old are you? A. About 75.

Q. Were you born a slave? A. Yes sir?

Q. Who was your master? A. I belonged to Colberts at that time, they were Chickasaws.

Q. Who were you freed under? A. Jones, he married one of my young Mistress' I came to him through his Chickasaw wife?

Q. Have you been living here ever since the war? A. Yes sir.

Q. Never moved into Texas? A. No sir.

Q. How old is your wife? A. About 55.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Minerva Green.

Q. What is she Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Chickasaw.

(Enrolled Ambrose Green and wife as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

19-1166

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 18, 1903.

Ambrose Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 10, 1903, asking if you have been enrolled as a Chickasaw Freedman.

In reply to your letter you are informed that you have been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman, but your name has not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

# MEMORANDA.

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(Date) 4-20 1899.

Name Ambrose Green on roll as Ambrose Green

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 1520

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day.

Wife's name Minerva Green on roll as Memory Green

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 1521

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

| County | Year | Page | No. |
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Choctaw Fr. 1259

Josh Graham

Fr. 1259

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Josh Graham, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alsekhi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Josh Graham.

Q. How old are you? A. About 25.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Catherine Loney.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Sampson and Kittie Folsom's.

Q. Who was your father? A. Scott Graham.

Q. Was he a slave? A. I reckon so.

Q. Who did he belong to? A. I don't know.

Q. What was Sampson Folsom? A. A Chickasaw.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

Q. Have you been living all the time in the Choctaw Nation?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Haven't been living in Texas? A. I have lived here for the last ten years.

Q. How long did you live in Texas? A. Two years I think when I was small.

Q. How old are you now? A. About 25.

(Enrolled Josh Graham as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my oath that this is a true and correct translation of the original in English.

M. L. Needles

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Joshua Graham*

Choctaw? ..... County *Red River* Year ..... No. *1568*

Chickasaw *yes* ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law? .....

License filed this day, .....

Wife's name, .....

Choctaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... No. ....

Chickasaw? ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood? ..... Mother's citizenship .....

Intermarried citizen? .....

Married under what law? .....

License filed this day .....

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1260

Mitchell Harkins

Fr. 1260

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

**FILED**  
DEC 22 1902



ACTING CHAIRMAN.

this to certify that  
Mitch Hapkins and  
Zilpha Hapkins were  
Married A. D. 84  
in the month of ~~May~~  
by me Rev. W. W. Cole  
a Minister of the Gospel.

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Mitchell Harkins, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Mitchell Harkins.

Q. How old are you? A. 32

Q. Were you born a slave? A. No sir.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Catherine Loney.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Sampson Polson.

Q. Do you know who your father belonged to? A. No sir.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Zilpha Harkins.

Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir. six.

Q. What are your folks? A. Chickasaws.

Q. Is there any one here who knows these young children? A. Yes sir, Josh Graham knows them.

Josh Graham being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Josh Graham.

Q. Do you know Mitchell Harkins? A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know his children? A. Yes sir.

Q. How many has he got? A. Six.

Q. Are they all at home? A. Yes sir.

Q. Alive and well the last time you saw them? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Mitchell Harkins and six children as Chickasaw

Freedmen)

Department

Commissioner

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct translation of the original in English and correct transcription of the original in English.

*W. H. Harkins*

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central DISTRICT.

I, Lezzie Rawlin, on oath  
state that I am 40 years of age; that my postoffice address is  
Stawneetown, Indian Territory; that I was  
personally acquainted with Zylphia Harkins, and know that there was  
born to her on the 19th day of July, 1898, a female child, which  
child is still living and said to have been named Tina Harkins.

Witness:

J. M. Moeke (Sign here)

Lezzie Rawlin  
maiden

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of July, 1904.

Chas. A. Levison  
Notary Public.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

INDIAN TERRITORY, )

Central

DISTRICT. )

I, Leppie Morgan, on oath  
state that I am 30 years of age; that my postoffice address is  
Shawnee, Indian Territory; that I was  
personally acquainted with Zylphia Harkins, and know that there was  
born to her on the 19th day of July, 1898, a female child, which  
child is still living and said to have been named Tina Harkins.

(Sign here)

Leppie Morgan

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9<sup>th</sup> day of July, 1904.

Chas A Demison

Notary Public.



IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Shirley Harkness

a citizen of

Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

1900

Commissioner.

proof of birth of child a  
 filed for enrollment April 21 1899

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
 COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
 FILED

1260

## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Tina Harkin, born on the 19 day of July 1898.  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Witcher Harkin a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Zylphia Harkin a citizen of the U S Nation.  
 Post-office Shawmutown I T

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, Mother Dead, on oath state that I am  
 years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of \_\_\_\_\_, who is a citizen, by  
 \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation; that a \_\_\_\_\_ child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_; that said child has been named  
 \_\_\_\_\_, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 190\_\_\_\_\_.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

Bety Stephens Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Zylphia Harkin, wife of Witcher Harkin,  
 on the 19 day of July 1898; that there was born to her on \_\_\_\_\_  
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Tina Harkin

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of June, 1904.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Wm. ...*

as a child of the

... ..

Nation.

Approved **NOV 12 1900.**

## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation,  
 of *Melvin Hawkins*, born on the *12th* day of *Sept*, 19*00*.  
(Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *Mitchell Hawkins*, a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Giiepha Hawkins*, a citizen of the *U.S. Intermixed* Nation.  
 Postoffice: *Shawmut*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, )  
 District. )

I, *Giiepha Hawkins*, on oath state that I am *35*  
 years of age and a citizen, by *Intermixed* *Choctaw* Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *Mitchell Hawkins*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Choctaw* Nation; that a *Girl* child was  
(male or female)  
 born to me on the *17th* day of *Sept*, 19*00*; that said child has been  
 named *Melvin Hawkins*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK.

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*Glaude Devos,*  
*Henry Latimer*

*Giiepha Hawkins*  
 mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *9th* day of *Nov*, 19*00*

*Henry Latimer*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, )

Central INDIAN TERRITORY, )  
 District. )

I, *Elizabeth Pullins*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Giiepha Hawkins*, wife of *Mitchell Hawkins*  
 on the *17th* day of *Sept*, 19*00* that there was born to her on  
 said date a *Girl* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
 named *Melvin Hawkins*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*Glaude Devos*  
*Henry Latimer*

*Elizabeth Pullins*  
 mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *9th* day of *Nov*, 19*00*

*Henry Latimer*  
 NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE

Application for Enforcement of

INFANT CHILD

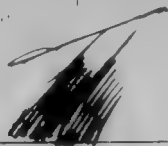
Elaine Harkins

of the County of

Montana

Nation

Approved



Attest

1. proof of birth & name  
of said child  
April 1889

RECEIVED

of the County of Montana

1889

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BIRTH AFFIDAVIT.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

COMMISSIONED TO THE CIVIL SERVICE.

In An Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Mollie Harkins born on the 9th day of June 1896  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Michael Harkins a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Gyephia Harkins a citizen of the U.S. Nation.  
 Post-office Shawnee, Okla.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
 District.

I, Mother is Dead, on oath state that I am  
 years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of \_\_\_\_\_, who is a citizen, by  
 \_\_\_\_\_, of the \_\_\_\_\_ Nation; that a \_\_\_\_\_ child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1896; that said child has been named  
 \_\_\_\_\_, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
 Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 1906.

NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
 INDIAN TERRITORY,  
 District.

I, Betty Stephens, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Gyephia Harkins, wife of Mitchell Harkins  
 on the 9th day of June 1896; that there was born to her a child  
 date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (Male or female)  
Mollie Harkins.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
 Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of June 1906.

NOTARY PUBLIC.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 13, 1900.

Mitchell Hawkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Melvin Hawkins, the infant daughter of Mitchell and Silpha Hawkins, born September 12th, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been accepted as evidence of the birth of this child.

It will be necessary for you to supply in the matter of the enrollment of your child, either the original or certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between yourself and your wife Silpha Hawkins. Please give this matter your prompt attention.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1182

19-1182.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 22, 1902.

Mitchell, Harkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the  
15th inst., enclosing marriage certificate between Mitch Harkins  
and Zilpha Hopkin of November, 1884; and the same has been filed  
with the record in your case.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

17-1253  
17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 21, 1904.

Catherine Luney,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 30, 1903, in which you ask that your name and the name of Mitchell Harkins be forwarded to the Choctaw Land Office.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Catherine Looney and Mitchell Harkins, and his seven minor children have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It is suggested, however, that you communicate again with the Commission in about two months when you will be advised as to whether or not your enrollment has been approved.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Clerk in Charge,

Creek Enrollment Division,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,

Muskogee, Indian Territory.

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Dear Sir:

It appears from the records of the Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division that Mitchell Harkins (or Hawkins), who is listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, together with his children, on Choctaw freedman card, number 1260, is the son of Catherine Looney, a Choctaw freedman, and Henry Hawkins, a citizen of the Creek Nation.

You are requested to inform the Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division as to whether or not application has ever been made to the Commission for enrollment as citizens of the Creek Nation of Mitchell Harkins, aged 34, and his children, Elvira Harkins, aged 13, Alfred Harkins, aged 10, Henry Harkins, aged 8, Ezekiel Harkins, aged 5, Mollie Harkins, aged 2, Tina Harkins, age not given, and Melvin Harkins, born September 12, 1900, and as to whether or not the name of any of them appears upon any of the rolls of citizens

Creek Enrollment Division 3

of the Creek Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedmen  
1853;1860

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 23, 1904.

Catherine Loney,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 10, asking the status of the enrollment of yourself and Mitchell Harkins.

In reply to your letter you are advised that your name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior. The Commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon.

You are further advised that Mitchell Harkins and his seven minor children have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Department.

If you will furnish a description of the land which you desire to select in allotment, and on which you have improvements, proper notation thereof will be made upon our records and you will be notified in the event any other person makes application for the same land and will be permitted to institute contest proceedings therefor.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

Catherine Looney,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 19th inst., requesting to be advised if you may make selection of allotment for your grandchild, youngest daughter of Mitchell and Zilphia Harkins.

You are informed it appears from our records that Mitchell Harkins, and his minor children, Elvira, Alfred, Henry, Ezekiel, Mollie, Tina and Melvin Harkins, are listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation, to be transmitted to the Secretary of the Interior, and until the application for enrollment of the above named persons has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, no person will be permitted to select allotments of land for them in the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

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COMMISSIONERS  
TAM BIXBY  
THOMAS B NEEDLES  
C R BRECKINRIDGE

WM O BEALL,  
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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HEREIN IN REPLY TO THE FOLLOWING

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 3, 1904.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
Choctaw-Chickasaw Enrollment Division.

Gentlemen:

Replying to your letter in which you request to be advised whether or not application has ever been made to the Commission for the enrollment, as citizens of the Creek Nation, of Mitchell Harkins, age 34, and his children, Elvira Harkins, aged 13, Alfred, aged 10, Henry, aged 8, Ezekiel, aged 5, William, aged 2, Tina, age not given, and Melvin Harkins, born September 1, 1900, and as to whether or not the names of any of them appear upon any of the rolls of citizens of the Creek Nation, we have learned that application has not been made to the Commission for the enrollment of the persons above named, as citizens of the Creek Nation, under the names above mentioned, and they are not identified upon any of the Creek tribal rolls in the possession of the Commission.

Reference is made to Choctaw F.1260.

Respectfully,

  
Chairman.

Choctaw Freedmen,  
1260.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 16, 1904.

Mitchell Harkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 26, in which you ask if you and your children have been enrolled.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that Mitchell Harkins and his children, Elvira, Alfred, Henry, Ezekiel, and Melvin Harkins have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and their names placed upon a schedule of the Freedmen of said Nation which has been prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Before further consideration can be given the application for the enrollment of Mollie and Tina Harkins, it will be necessary for you to forward proper evidence of their birth and for this purpose there are enclosed you herewith two blank forms. In having same executed, be careful to see that all blankspaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public before whom the affidavits are acknowledged affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signatures by mark must be attested by two witnesses.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 1, 1904.

Mitchell Harkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Betsy Stephens, relative to the birth of your minor children, Mollie and Tina Harkins, June 9, 1896, and July 19, 1898, respectively, from which it appears that the mother of said children is dead.

This being a fact it will be necessary that you supply the Commission with the affidavits of two disinterested persons who knew of the birth of said children and the fact that they are still living, blanks for which purpose are enclosed herewith. It is important that this matter receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 18, 1904.

Mitchell Harkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Lizzie Morgan and Lizzie Rollins, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Mollie Harkins, June 9, 1896, also the affidavits of Lizzie Morgan and Lizzie Rollins, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Tina Harkins, July 19, 1898, and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 18, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby notified that the following notations have  
this day been placed upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,  
No. 1260, Mitchell Harkins, et al.,

"No. 6 born June 9, 1896; proof  
of birth filed July 16, 1904."

"No. 7 born July 19, 1898; proof  
of birth filed July 16, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon  
the duplicate card of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1260

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 31, 1904.

Mitchell Harkins,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 24th inst., requesting to be advised relative to the application for enrollment of your two minor children, Mollie and Tina Harkins.

You are advised that the names of said children are listed for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said nation to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 3, 1907.

Chief Clerk,  
Choctaw Land Office,  
Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 19, 1907, transmitting testimony of Alfred Harkins relative to the enrollment of his child Lucindia Hawkins. From this testimony it appears that the identification of Alfred Hawkins, the father of this child at No. 4404 upon the approved roll of Choctaw freedmen is erroneous and that Alfred Harkins at No. 4719 is the father.

You are advised that minor Choctaw freedman roll card No. 252 has been changed to show the roll number of the father at 4719 upon the approved roll of Choctaw freedmen and the card number 1260.

You are therefore directed to make like changes upon the duplicate card of this number in your possession and you are authorized to allow Alfred Harkins at No. 4719 upon the approved roll of Choctaw freedmen, to select allotment his child Lucindia Hawkins.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner.

For *Vine*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Nitchell Harkins*

Choctaw? County Year No. *1038*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *yes residing*

Intermarried citizen? *no*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|           |                       |        |      |      |                |
|-----------|-----------------------|--------|------|------|----------------|
| <i>13</i> | <i>Chris Harkins</i>  | County | Year | Page | No. <i>145</i> |
| <i>10</i> | <i>Alfred Harkins</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>146</i> |
| <i>8</i>  | <i>Henry</i>          | County | Year | Page | No. <i>147</i> |
| <i>5</i>  | <i>Frank</i>          | County | Year | Page | No. <i>148</i> |
| <i>2</i>  | <i>Willie</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>149</i> |
| <i>4</i>  | <i>Mollie</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>150</i> |
|           |                       | County | Year | Page | No.            |
|           |                       | County | Year | Page | No.            |
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Choctaw Fr. 1261

Willie Graham

Fr. 1261

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Willie Graham, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Willie Graham.

Q. How old are you? A. About 27.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Catherine Loney.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Sampson Polson's

Q. What was he? A. Chickasaw.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a citizen? A. No sir, state woman.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

(Enrolled Willie Graham as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to the above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

17-1261

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 22, 1904.

Willie Graham,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 16th inst., requesting to be advised relative to your enrollment.

You are informed it appears from our records that Willie Graham, now about 30 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, has been duly enrolled as a Choctaw freedman, his enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



*Frederickson*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Frederickson*

Choctaw ? ..... County ..... Year ..... No. *1567*

Chickasaw *yes* County *Red River* Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood ? ..... Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw* ..... 2

Intermarried citizen ? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law ? .....

License filed this day, .....

Wife's name, .....

Choctaw ? ..... County ..... Year ..... No. ....

Chickasaw ? ..... County ..... Year ..... Page .....

Citizen by blood ? ..... Mother's citizenship .....

Intermarried citizen ? .....

Married under what law ? .....

License filed this day .....

Names of children :

|       |              |            |            |          |
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| ..... | County ..... | Year ..... | Page ..... | No. .... |
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Choctaw Fr. 1262

JenKin Riley

Fr. 1262

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Jenkin Riley, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Jenkin Riley.

Q. How old are you? A. 40

Q. Where you born a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was your master? A. Robert Jones.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Sukie.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Got any children? A. Yes sir, seven.

Q. Any body here who knows your baby? A. Yes sir, Josh Graham.

Josh Graham being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Josh Graham.

Q. Do you know Jenkin Riley? A. Yes sir.

Q. Do you know his youngest child? A. Yes sir, I know his wife has a baby.

Q. About how old is it? A. Four or five months.

Q. Is it alive? A. Yes sir, it is.

(Enrolled Jenkin Riley and seven children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify upon my oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Huiley

*IN RE*

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Phoebe Riley*  
as a citizen of the

*Choctaw* Nation.

Approved, DEC - 6 1900 1900

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
*Commissioner.*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED  
DEC 6 1900

  
ACTING CHAIRMAN.

# Department of the Interior,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
of Phorbe Riley, born on the 27 day of May, 1900.  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Jurkin Riley, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Laura Riley, a citizen of the M S Nation.  
Postoffice: Shawnee town Ind Ter

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Central INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, Laura Riley, on oath state that I am 27  
years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_, of the M S Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Jurkin Riley, who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a Female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 27th day of May, 1900; that said child has been  
named Phorbe Riley, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November 1900

Chas A Demison  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Central INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, Lizzie Jones, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Laura Riley, wife of Jurkin Riley,  
on the 27 day of May, 1900; that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Phorbe Riley.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two  
Witnesses.)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of November 1900

Chas A Demison  
NOTARY PUBLIC

IN RE.

Application for Enforcement of

INFANT CHILD

of the State of

Nation

Applicant

Respondent

Complaint

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
 of Justin Riley Jr., born on the 5 day of December, 1898  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: Justin Riley Sr. a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Laura Riley a citizen of the US Nation.

Post-office

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Laura Riley, on oath state that I am 35  
 years of age and a citizen, by US Nation;

that I am the lawful wife of Justin Riley, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was  
 (Male or female)

born to me on 5th day of December, 1898; that said child has been named  
Justin Riley, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Laura & Laura RileyMust be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

13<sup>th</sup>

day of

June1904Chas. A. Deussen

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Central

District.

I, Lizzie Jones, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. Laura Riley, wife of Justin Riley Sr.  
 on the 5th day of December, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
 date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
 (MALE OR FEMALE)  
Justin Riley Jr.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Lizzie JonesMust be Two  
Witnesses.Chas. A. Deussen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

13<sup>th</sup>

day of

June1904Chas. A. Deussen

NOTARY PUBLIC.

IN RE.

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Jenkins Wiley Jr.  
is citizen of  
Choctaw Nation.

Approved

FEB 9 1904

1904



Commissioner

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proof of birth of a  
child listed for  
enrollment 4/21/99

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FEB 9 1904

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Justin Riley Jr., born on the 20th day of December, 1898  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Justin Riley Sr. a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Laura Riley a citizen of the U.S. Nation.  
Post-office Shawnee & Co.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Outage

District.

I, Laura Riley, on oath state that I am 28  
years of age and a citizen, by U.S. Nation,  
that I am the lawful wife of Justin Riley Sr., who is a citizen, by  
Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was  
(Male or female)  
born to me on 20th day of December, 1898; that said child has been named  
Justin Riley Jr., and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

x Laura RileyMust be Two  
Witnesses.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30th

day of

January1904Chas A. Derrison

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY.

Outage

District.

I, Lizzie Jones, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. Laura Riley, wife of Justin Riley,  
on the 20th day of December, 1898; that there was born to her on said  
date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
Justin Riley Jr.  
(MALE OR FEMALE)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Lizzie JonesMust be Two  
Witnesses.Monie MorrisW. A. Taylor

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

30th

day of

January1904Chas A. Derrison

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

## INFANT CHILD

Willie Belle Riley  
as a citizen of

Chickasaw

Nation

Approved,

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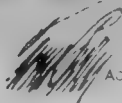


Commissioner.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

FILED

MAY 22 1902



ACTING CHAIRMAN.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Willie Belle Riley*, born on the *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, 1901  
Here insert name of child  
Name of Father: *Jenkins Riley*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Laura Riley*, a citizen of the *W.N.* Nation.  
Post-office, *Shawnee town* *Indian*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Central* INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, *Laura Riley*, on oath state that I am *28*  
years of age and a citizen, by *birth*, of the *United States* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Jenkins Riley*, who is a citizen, by  
*adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation, that a *female* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *October* 1901; that said child has been  
named *Willie Belle Riley*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*3<sup>d</sup>* day of *May*, 1902.  
*Chas. H. Denison*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
*Central* INDIAN TERRITORY, District.

I, *Lizzie Green*, midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Laura Riley*, wife of *Jenkins Riley*,  
on the *17<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a *female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named *Willie Belle Riley*, (male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*3<sup>d</sup>* day of *May*, 1902.  
*Chas. H. Denison*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 20, 1900.

Mr. Sam Wright,

Shameceton, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman of Febia Riley, the infant daughter of Laurah and Jenkin Riley, and the same is herewith returned to you for the reason that Jenkin Riley is not a Choctaw but a Chickasaw Freedman. There is inclosed you herewith a new blank birth certificate to be filled out instead of the one returned herewith.

Before the application for enrollment of Febia Riley can receive further attention, it will be necessary for Jenkin Riley to furnish the Commission either the original or a certified copy of the marriage license and certificate under which he was married to Laurah Riley, in order to complete the records of the Commission.

Upon the receipt of the new birth certificate, the marriage license and certificate, as asked for, the application for enrollment of Febia Riley will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

3-20.

B.C.

In reply to this letter,  
please refer to 19-1184



Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 6, 1900.

Jenkin Riley,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Phoebe Riley, the infant daughter of Jenkin and Laura Riley, born May 27th, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

The Commission is in receipt of the marriage certificate between yourself and Miss Laura Stephens and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the enrollment of your children.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 11, 1902.

Charles A. Denison,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 7th instant enclosing the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Willie Belle Riley, infant daughter of Jenkin and Laura Riley, born October 17, 1901, and the same is returned to you herewith for the reason that the records of the Commission show that the mother of the child for whom application is made is a non citizen, the father of the child being duly listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

It will therefore be necessary that application be made for the enrollment of this child as a Chickasaw freedman, and for the purpose of assisting you in this matter a new application has been correctly prepared and is enclosed you herewith. Upon return of the same properly executed the matter will receive further consideration.

You also request that twelve blank applications for the enrollment of infant children be sent you, together

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with envelopes for return of the same.

You are informed that twelve blanks of the description requested have been sent you this day under separate cover. The Commission cannot, however, comply with your request for envelopes.

Yours truly,

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Enc. W. 105.

Acting Chairman.

19-1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 28, 1902.

Jenkin Riley,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Willie Belle Riley, infant daughter of Jenkin and Laura Riley, born October 17, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Chickasaw Freedmen  
1184

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 21, 1903

Hodges S. Burton,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 14, asking whether Jenkin Rillie and his family have been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that it appears from our records that Jenkin Riley and his children, Austin, Pearlle, Archie, Eldonia, Chaney, Luella, Jenkin Jr., Phoebe and Willie Belle have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1262

Muskegee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Jenkin Riley,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Jenkin Riley, Jr., as a Choctaw freedman, you are hereby advised that, before anything further can be done in the matter of his enrollment, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said child. To assist you in making these affidavits there is enclosed you herewith a blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.



17-1262

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 9, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Cheetaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been placed upon original Cheetaw freedman enrollment card,  
number 1262:

"No. 8 born Dec. 20, 1898; proof  
of birth filed Feb. 9, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon the  
duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
COMMISSION TO THE UNITED STATES  
FIELD  
DEC 6 1900

 ACTING CHAIRMAN

This is to certify that  
Mr. & Mrs. Riley and Miss  
Anna Steffen were called  
on only as before  
the Holy Bible of the day  
a share into the 13<sup>th</sup>

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Copy of February 1890. as form  
ably the Bible of God  
the only one of  
the

In presence of the  
So Wright of the Church  
Neptune, Tenn.

*Frederick*

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

*4-21*

1899.

Name

Choctaw?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw?

County

Year

Page

Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name

Choctaw?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw?

County

Year

Page

Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|    |                          |        |      |      |                 |
|----|--------------------------|--------|------|------|-----------------|
| 14 | <i>Austin Riley</i>      | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2915</i> |
| 7  | <i>Peaslie</i>           | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2917</i> |
| 6  | <i>Archie</i>            | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2918</i> |
| 4  | <i>Edgaria</i>           | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2919</i> |
| 3  | <i>Charlie</i>           | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2920</i> |
| 2  | <i>Lula</i>              | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2921</i> |
| 4  | <i>Jenkins Riley Jr.</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2922</i> |
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# CORRECTION

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TO ASSURE  
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Choctaw Fr. 1263

Rebecca Washington

See The Testimony in Chickasaw  
Freedman Card #1185

Fr. 1263



17-1285

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1904.

Walter B. Paschall,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th instant, requesting information relative to the enrollment of Beckey Washington whose maiden name was McDaniel, and her three minor children, Samantha James (or Brown) and Laura and Walter Washington.

You are advised that the information contained in your letter is not sufficient to enable the Commission to identify Beckey Washington, Samantha James (or Brown) or Walter Washington as applicants for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

You are further informed that the enrollment of Laurinda Washington, daughter of Silas and Rebecca Washington, as a Choctaw freedman was approved by the Secretary of the Interior September 26, 1903.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Fr. 1264

Katesy Barr

Transferred from Chickasaw Freedman

# 1186

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Katesy Barr, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name. A. Katesy Barr

Q. How old are you? A. About 36

Q. You were not a slave were you? A. I reckon so.

Q. Who was your master? A. Robert Jones.

(Lin Colbert states under oath that she belonged to Susan Jones, Robert Jones' wife, Chickasaw.)

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, three.

Q. Have you always been living here in the Nation? A. Yes sir.

Q. Are these children living with you? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Katesy Barr and three children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

N. A. Smiley

Choctaw Freedman  
1264

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 8, 1904.

Katsy Barr,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 29, asking if your enrollment and that of your three children, Emigh, Marshall and Nora Barr has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the names of Katsy Barr and her minor children, Emigh, Marshall and Nora Barr are being placed on a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which is being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. Pending the approval of your enrollment by him you would not be permitted to make selection of allotments for yourself and your children.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

*Fried*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Lutesy Bass* *as Vinitay Bass*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *386*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw residing*

Intermarried citizen? *in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day.

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Age*  
*15* *Knigh Bass* *Anna Bass* County *Choctaw* Year Page No. *387*  
*14* *Marshall* County Year Page No. *388*  
*11* *Korai* County Year Page No. *389*  
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Choctaw Fr. 1265

Davis Brown

Fr. 1265



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Davis Brown, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Davis Brown.

Q. How old are you? A. 60

Q. Were you a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did you belong to? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Catherine Brown.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Robert Jones?

(Lin Colbert states under oath that Davis Brown is a Chickasaw, and belonged to Susan Jones, and his wife and children Choctaws, and belonged to Robert Jones)

Q. Have you been living in the Choctaw Nation ever since you were turned loose? A. Yes sir.

I have some grand children to enroll, my daughters children, she is dead, her name was Lavinia Nash.

Q. How many children had she? A. Six.

(Enrolled Davis Brown as Chickasaw and his wife and six grand children as Choctaw freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commissioner of the Five Civilized Tribes

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*H. A. Smiley*

Choctaw Fr. 1266

Louisa Gibson

Fr. 1266

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# Friedman MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4 21 1899.

Name Louisa Gibson

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 1541

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? in Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

- |     |    |                              |        |           |      |      |     |      |
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| Age | 16 | Geneva Shaw                  | County | Chickasaw | Year | Page | No. | 3143 |
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|     | 7  | Perry Shaw                   | County | do        | Year | Page | No. | 3145 |
|     | 6  | Australia Gibson             | County | do        | Year | Page | No. | 1564 |
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Choctaw Fr. 1267

Roland Johnson

Fr. 1267

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Roland Johnson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Roland Johnson.

Q. How old are you? A. About 40

Q. Who was your master? A. Col. Jones.

Q. You don't know whether you belonged to Col. Jones or Susan?

A. No sir.

Q. What is your mother's name? A. Zilpha Johnson.

(Lin Colbert states under oath that she belonged on the Chickasaw side, as the property of Susan Jones)

Q. What is your wife's name? A. Alice.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Roland Johnson and three children as Chickasaw Freedmen)


Department of the Interior,

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a stenographic report of the testimony of Roland Johnson, as given at the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, and that the same is a correct translation of the stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
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I hereby Certify that  
the within named person  
Roland Johnson is the  
identical and same person  
as Allen Johnson whose name  
appears in the marriage  
Certificate sent the Commission  
a few days ago. This  
mistake in putting Allen  
Johnson instead of Roland  
Johnson in this Certificate  
was doubtless done by  
the Clerk at Clarksville  
in putting on record the  
marriage of Roland Johnson  
and Alice Montgomery  
under date of January 20-1880  
C A Allison

Subscribed & sworn to  
me this 21<sup>st</sup> May 1908

W. C. Allison

Notary Public

General District Attorney

My Comm. Expires Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> 1908



No. \_\_\_\_\_



To any Judge of the County or District Court, Regularly Licensed or Ordained Minister  
of the Gospel, Jewish Rabbi, or Justice Peace in and for said County of Red River. Greeting:

*Celebrate*  
**You are hereby Authorized to solemnize the**  
**rites of MATRIMONY**

Between: Mr. Allen Johnson  
and Ms. Alice Montgomery  
and make due return to the Clerk of the County Court of said  
County within Sixty days thereafter certifying your action under  
this License.

WITNESS my official signature and seal of  
office at office in Clarksville, this 27  
day of Feby. A.D. ~~1880~~ 1880.

A. P. Corley

Deputy

Clerk of County Court Red River County.

I Jo Bagby hereby certify that  
on the 1st day of March. A.D. ~~1880~~ 1880

Between Mr. Allen Johnson  
and Alice Montgomery the parties above named  
Witness my hand this 1 day of March. A.D. ~~1880~~ 1880  
Jo Bagby M. Co.

**THE STATE OF TEXAS.**

County of Red River.

I, *W. D. Smith*  
County Clerk in and for Red River  
County, Texas, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a *W. D. Smith*  
*Deed*.

as appears of record in my office in Vol. *1*  
county.

on page *20* of *Vol. 1* Recorder *W. D. Smith* of said

Given under my hand and seal of office this the *16* day

of *June*, 1908

*W. D. Smith*

By *W. D. Smith*

Deputy

County Clerk Red River Co., Texas.

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Carter Johnson*  
as citizen of

*Choctaw*

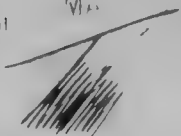
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Approved

*WAS*

By

For



Commissioner.

*Proof of birth - Cistea & Co.*  
*enrollment 11/21/99*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Carter Johnson* born on the *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* *1890*  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: *Rollin Johnson* a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Alice Johnson* a citizen of the *U.S.* Nation.  
Post-office *Shawnee Town I P*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.)

I, *Alice Johnson*, on oath state that I am *45*  
years of age and a citizen, by *U.S.* of the *U.S.* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Rollin Johnson*, who is a citizen, by  
*adoption* of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *male* child was  
(Male or female)  
born to me on *20<sup>th</sup>* day of *November* *1890*; that said child has been named  
*Carter Johnson*, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

*H. C. Morris*  
*C. A. Dawson*  
Must be Two  
Witnesses

*Alice Johnson*  
*Male*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*9<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*February*

*1904*

*Chas. A. Dawson*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.)

I, *Fanny Robinson*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. *Alice Johnson*, wife of *Rollin Johnson*  
on the *20* day of *November* *1890*; that there was born to her on said  
date a *male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
(MALE OR FEMALE)  
*Carter Johnson*

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

*H. C. Morris*  
*C. A. Dawson*  
Must be Two  
Witnesses

*Fanny Robinson*  
*Male*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

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*1904*

*Chas. A. Dawson*

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IN RE

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INFANT CHILD

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as a citizen of

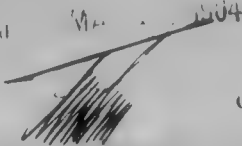
Choctaw

Nation.

Approved

Mar 1 1904

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Commissioner.

proof of birth of child listed for  
enrollment 4/21/99

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Louis Johnson* (Here insert name of child), born on the *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, *1894*  
Name of Father: *Rollin Johnson* a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Alice Johnson* a citizen of the *U.S.* Nation.  
Post office *Shawnee 97.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Alice Johnson*, on oath state that I am *45* years of age and a citizen, by *U.S.* of the *U.S.* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Rollin Johnson*, who is a citizen, by *adoption* of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *male* child was (Male or female)  
born to me on *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *October*, *1894*; that said child has been named *Louis Johnson*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses

*H.C. Morris*  
*C.A. Deussen*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*9<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*February**1904**Chas. A. Deussen*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Rachel Perkins*, Midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. *Alice Johnson*, wife of *Rollin Johnson*, on the *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *Oct*, *1894*; that there was born to her on said date a *Louis Johnson* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named *Louis Johnson*.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses

*H.C. Morris*  
*C.A. Deussen*

*Rachel Perkins*  
*Mar 11*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*9<sup>th</sup>*

day of

*February**1904**Chas. A. Deussen*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Sermonia Johnson*  
Citizen of  
*Chickasaw*

Nation

Approved,

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*[Signature]*  
Commissioner

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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*[Signature]*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Sefronia Johnson*, born on the *21* day of *August*, 1900  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: *Rollin Johnson*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Name of Mother: *Alice Johnson*, a citizen of the *United States*  
Post-office *Shawnee town*  
*G. T.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Alice Johnson*, on oath state that I am *Unknown*  
years of age and a citizen, by *United States* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Rollin Johnson*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation, that a *Female* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *21* day of *August*, 1900 that said child has been  
named *Sefronia Johnson*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)  
(Witnesses)

*J. C. Morris*  
*J. B. McMurray*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *10<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 1902.

*Claude Denson*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
*Central* District.

I, *Liley Gaffany*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Alice Johnson*, wife of *Rollin Johnson*,  
on the *21* day of *August*, 1900 that there was born to her on  
said date a *Female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
named *Sefronia Johnson*.  
(male or female)

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)  
(Witnesses)

*J. C. Morris*  
*J. B. McMurray*  
Subscribed and sworn to before me this *10<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 1902.

*Claude Denson*  
NOTARY PUBLIC

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Application for Enforcement of

INFANT CHILD

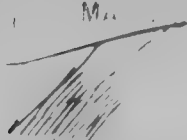
George Johnson

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of George Johnson, born on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1897.  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Rollin Johnson a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Alice Johnson a citizen of the U.S. Nation.

Post-office \_\_\_\_\_

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Central Indian Territory, District.

I, Alice Johnson, on oath state that I am 45  
years of age and a citizen, by \_\_\_\_\_ of the U.S. Nation;

that I am the lawful wife of Rollin Johnson, who is a citizen, by  
adoption of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was  
(Male or female)  
born to me on 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1897; that said child has been named  
George Johnson, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

W.C. Morris  
C.A. Dennis

Alice Johnson  
matr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9<sup>th</sup>

day of

February

1904

Chas. A. Dennis

NOTARY PUBLIC.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Central Indian Territory, District.

I, Fanny Frazer, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. Alice Johnson, wife of Rollin Johnson  
on the 13<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1897; that there was born to her on said  
date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named

George Johnson

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two  
Witnesses.

W.C. Morris  
C.A. Dennis

Fanny Frazer  
matr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

9<sup>th</sup>

day of

February

1904

Chas. A. Dennis

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 14, 1902.

Rollin Johnson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Saffronia Johnson, the infant daughter of Rollin and Alice Johnson, born August 21, 1900 and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1243  
17-1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 22, 1904.

N. B. Burton,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 13, 1903, asking if the enrollment of Rollin Johnson and his minor children, and Hodges Burton and his wife, Mary J. Burton, and their child, Bettie Allene Burton, has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the enrollment of Mary J. Burton and Bettie Allene Burton, as Choctaw freedmen has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further informed that Roland Johnson and his minor children, Carter, Louis, George and Sefrenia Johnson, and Houston Burton and his wife, Victoria B. Burton, and their children, Hodges, Sam, Haywood, Joseph, Henry and Alonzo Burton, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen, prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Roland Johnson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your children, Carter, Louis, George and Seffronia Johnson, as Chostaw freedmen, you are advised that it will be necessary for you to supply the Commission with evidence of your marriage to Alice Johnson, the mother of your said children.

Such evidence of marriage may consist either of your original marriage license and certificate, or a certified copy thereof, or the affidavits of two eye-witnesses to the marriage.

In the matter of the enrollment of your said children, Carter, Louis and George Johnson, it will also be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with proof of birth of said children, blanks for which purpose being enclosed you herewith.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, wit-

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nesses thereto.

The matters herein referred to should have your prompt attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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17-1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 14, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Chectaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notations have  
~~this day been placed upon original Chectaw freedman enrollment card,~~  
No. 1267, Roland Johnson, et al.,

"No. 2 born Nov. 20, 1890; proof  
of birth filed May 13, 1904."

"No. 3 born Oct. 15, 1894; proof  
of birth filed May 13, 1904."

"No. 4 born Aug. 13, 1897; proof  
of birth filed May 13, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notations upon  
the corresponding duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 14, 1904.

Roland Johnson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Alice Johnson and Fanny Robinson, relative to the birth of your minor son, Carter Johnson, November 20, 1890, also the affidavits of Alice Johnson and Rachel Perkins, relative to the birth of your minor son, Louis Johnson, October 15, 1894, and also the affidavits of Alice Johnson and Fanny Frazier, relative to the birth of George Johnson, August 13, 1897, and the same have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of said children.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the marriage license and certificate between Allen Johnson and Alice Montgomery, dated March 1, 1880. Under date of January 25, 1904, you were requested to furnish this office with proofs of birth of your minor children, Carter, Louis, George and Sefronia Johnson, also evidence of marriage between yourself and the mother of said children.

If the marriage license and certificate forwarded by you is intended as proof of said marriage, it will be necessary that you furnish this office with evidence as to why your name appears therein as Allin, instead of Roland Johnson.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 18, 1904.

Roland Johnson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th inst., stating that you forwarded a plat, together with an affidavit and certificate to this office about three months ago and have never received any reply thereto.

You are informed it appears from our records that affidavits relative to the birth of your minor children, Carter, Louis, and George Johnson, together with a marriage license and certificate of Allen Johnson and Alice Montgomery were received and filed with our records May 13, 1904, and proper acknowledgment of the same made to you upon that date.

It does not appear, however, that the plat referred to by you has ever been received at this office.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
1267

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 27, 1904.

Roland Johnson, .

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavit of C. A. Denison as to the identity of Roland and Allen Johnson, and the same has been filed with the record in the matter of the enrollment of your children as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 6, 1904.

Rollin Johnson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 27, 1904, asking if Seffronia Johnson has been enrolled and approved.

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In reply to your letter you are informed that Roland Johnson has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw freedman, and his enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

You are further advised that Carter, Louis, George and Seffronia Johnson have been enrolled as Choctaw freedmen and their enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4 27* 1899.

Name *Poland*

Choctaw ? County *1* Year *20* No. *34*

Chickasaw ? County *1* Year *20* Page *34*

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship *1*

Intermarried citizen ? *no*

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ? County *1* Year *20* No. *34*

Chickasaw ? County *1* Year *20* Page *34*

Citizen by blood ? Mother's citizenship *1*

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|            |          |                    |        |      |      |                |
|------------|----------|--------------------|--------|------|------|----------------|
| <i>Age</i> | <i>9</i> | <i>Centerville</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1</i>   |
|            | <i>6</i> | <i>Louis</i>       | County | Year | Page | No. <i>510</i> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1268

William Jackson

Fr. 1268



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of William Jackson, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. How old are you? A. 23

Q. What is your name? A. William Jackson.

Q. Who was your father? A. Charley Jackson.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Vina Jackson.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. Old Lanaha's

Q. Have you been living here all the time? A. Yes sir, all the time

Q. You are not married are you? A. No sir.

Q. You are just by yourself are you? A. Only me and my sister.

Q. Where does she live? A. She lives in Memphis Tenn.

Q. Has she always lived there? A. No sir, only about eight years.

Q. What is her name? A. Emma Jackson.

Q. How old is she? A. I don't know exactly

We will have to let her go for the present.

Lin Colbert, being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What do you know about this case, who was Charley Jackson and Vina Jackson? A. I don't know Vina, but I know his daddy.

Q. Was his daddy sold out? A. No sir, he was killed, he was not sold out.

Q. Was Vina sold? A. I don't know that. If Charley Jackson is his daddy he is all right

Q. Charley was a citizen was he? A. Yes sir, he was, and he belonged to the Colberts.

William Jackson #2

Mima McKee being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Mima McKee.

Q. Do you know William Jackson? A. I knew his daddy, I knew h  
his name was Charley Jackson and his broother killed him.

Q. was he ever sold out? A. No sir, he never was.

Q. You are pretty sure his father never was sold out? A. Yes  
sir, I know he was not.

William Jackson re-examined.

Q. Mitchell Willis is your Uncle isn't he? A. Yes sir.

Q. Your Grand Father lives near Antlers doesn't he? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled William Jackson as Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 8, 1901.

R. L. Carter,

Beckeville, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of August 31st, enclosing applications for the enrollment of Willie Randell and Emma Jackson.

The application for the enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation of Willie Randell, the infant son of G. R. and Mattie Randell, born August 29th, 1901, ~~proper~~ proper form, has been duly filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.

The application for enrollment as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation of Emma Jackson, the infant daughter of W. M. and Lillie Jackson, born August 26th, 1901, is returned to you herewith. It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that she is a citizen of the United States. It will therefore be necessary that this office be furnished with evidence of the marriage of W. M. and Lillie Jackson, before the application for the enrollment of Emma Jackson can be given further attention. You are requested to give the full name and age of the father of this child, the names of his parents and the time and place he appeared before this Commission and whether he is a citizen of freedman of the Chickasaw Nation.

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Upon receipt of the information requested and evidence of the marriage of W. M. and Lillie Jackson and the return of the application, the matter will be given proper attention.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Wm Jackson

Choctaw yes County Cedar Year No 2010

Chickasaw yes County Year Page

Mother's citizenship ~~Choctaw Indian~~

Intermarried citizen? Chickasaw residing

Married under what law? in Choctaw Nation

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|        |      |      |     |
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Choctaw Fr. 1269

Laura Henry

Fr. 1269



## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Randle Henry, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Randle Henry.

Q. How old are you? A. 23

Q. Who is your mother? A. Laura Henry.

Q. Who was her master? A. Col. Jones.

Q. Who was your father? A. Jake Henry.

Q. Is he a state man? A. Yes sir.

(Lin Colbert states under oath that he belongs on the Chickasaw side, property of Susan Jones)

Q. Have you been living here in the territory all the time?

A. Yes sir.

Q. Never lived outside of the territory? A. No sir.

Q. Is your mother living? A. Yes sir, she is at home, and wanted me to enroll her.

(Lin Colbert states under oath that she is nearly crazy and not able to come, that she belonged to Susan Jones, and is a Chickasaw)

Milly Gunn being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know Laura Henry? A. Yes sir, she is my daughter.

Q. What is her youngest child's name? A. Annie.

Q. Is she living? A. Yes sir.

(Laura Henry enrolled, and her ten children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

MA Smiley

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Elmira Henry*  
as a citizen of the

CHICKASAW FREEDMEN.

Nation.

Approved, NOV 24 1900

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## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Choctaw Nation,  
 of Elmira Henry, born on the 12 day of August, 1900  
 (Here insert name of child.)  
 Name of Father: Randall Henry, a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
 Name of Mother: Cora Henry, a citizen of the U.S. Nation.  
 Postoffice: Stuckeytown, P.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District.)

I, Cora Henry, on oath state that I am 19  
 years of age and a citizen, by ——— of the U.S. Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of Randall Henry, who is a citizen, by  
 adoption of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
 born to me on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1900; that said child has been  
 named Elmira Henry, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 29 day of September, 1900

Geo. A. Duverson  
NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

Central INDIAN TERRITORY. District.)

I, Minty Barr, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. Cora Henry, wife of Randall Henry  
 on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of August, 1900; that there was born to her on  
 said date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 named Elmira Henry.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)Subscribed and sworn to before me this 12<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1900Geo. A. Duverson  
NOTARY PUBLIC

19-1191

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 14, 1902.

Randall Henry,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Randall Lenard Henry, the infant son of Randall and Cora Henry, born January 21, 1902, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 5, 1900.

Randall Henry,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Elmira Henry, the infant daughter of Randall and Cera Henry, born August 18th, 1900.

The same is returned to you herewith for the reason that the records of this Commission show that Randall Henry, the father of this child is listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Before any further consideration can be given the matter of the enrollment of Elmira Henry, it will be necessary that you forward to the Commission either the original or certified copy of the marriage license and certificate between Randall and Cera Henry.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

In reply please  
refer to 19-1191

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Washoe, Indian Territory, November 24, 1900.

Randall Henry,

Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Elmaire Henry, the infant daughter of Randall and Gera Henry, born August 12th, 1900, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1191



Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 24, 1900.

Charles A. Davidson,

Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of the 21st instant enclosing applications for the enrollment of Joseph Gibson as a Choctaw freedman and Elvira Henry as a Chickasaw Freedman and the marriage license and certificate between Randall Henry and Miss Gera Henke.

You ask in your letter that you be furnished with a few return envelopes.

The application for the enrollment of Joseph Gibson, the minor child of Jake and Mary Gibson, born January 1st, 1900, as a Choctaw freedman, being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of this Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman.

The marriage license between Randall Henry and Gera Henke has been duly filed with the records of the Commission in the matter of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Elvira Henry, the infant daughter of Randall and Gera Henry, born August 13th, 1900. The application for the enrollment of this child being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

In accordance with your request there are enclosed you

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MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Laura Henry*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *1817*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw*

Married under what law? *Nation*

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                        |                  |        |      |      |                     |
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| <i>24 Randle Henry</i> | <i>Chickasaw</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1818</i>     |
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| <i>11 Levi "</i>       | <i>"</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1823</i>     |
| <i>9 Ezekiel "</i>     | <i>"</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1824</i>     |
| <i>7 Eugene "</i>      | <i>"</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1825</i>     |
| <i>3 Magnolia "</i>    | <i>"</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>1826</i>     |
| <i>2 Anna</i>          | <i>"</i>         | County | Year | Page | No. <i>New born</i> |

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Choctaw Fr. 1270

Minnie McKee

Fr. 1270

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Minie McKee, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman, Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Minie McKee.

Q. How old are you? A. 65

Q. Who was your master? A. Col. Jones.

Q. Did you belong to him or Susan? A. I don't know I just lived with the family.

Q. Have you been here all your life? A. Yes sir, been here all my days.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. No sir, he is at home sick. and he sent me.

Q. Was he a slave? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did he belong to? A. George Harkins.

Q. What was he, Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. Choctaw.

(Lin Colbert under oath states that Minie McKee belonged to Susan Jones, and is a Chickasaw)

(Enrolled Minie McKee and husband )

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

17--1270.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 15, 1904.

Fred B. Branson,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of July 9th, in which you ask if the name of Emma McKee, daughter of Wilson Jones, appears on the roll of Chickasaw freedmen.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that Mimy McKee, daughter of Davis Jones and Sucky Jones, has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw freedman and her enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior. If this is not the person to whom you refer and you will state her full name, her age and the names of her parents, time and place application was made for her enrollment and any other information, which will enable us to identify her upon our records, the matter of your inquiry will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Fr. 1271

Hattie Shoals

Fr. 1271



**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Hattie Shoals, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Hattie Shoals.

Q. How old are you? A. About 52

Q. Who was your master? A. Vacey Colbert was my mistress.

Q. Was she a Choctaw or Chickasaw? A. I don't know.

(Lin Colbert states under oath that she was a Chickasaw)

Q. Have you been living in this country ever since you were turned loose? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, I have six.

Q. All of them living with you? A. I have one married daughter but she is living with me.

Q. What are the names of the children living with you that are not married? A. Johnson, H. C. Shoals,, Elsie Ann, Jimmie and Gorgia.

Q. Who was Vacey Colbert's husband? A. Dr. McDaniel.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Tina Crittenden, we went to the states to wait on my master.

Q. Are you still in the states? A. No sir, we came here in 1865, and been here ever since.

Q. What time in 1865. A. In December, 1865

Q. How long before Christmas was it before you got here?  
A/ About three weeks before Christmas.

Q. Who was your father? A. Henry Crittenden.

(Enrolled Hattie Shoals and five children as Chickasaw Freedmen)  
Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
 stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
 transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
 my stenographic notes.

*W. B. Smith*

Choctaw Freedman  
1271

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 1, 1904.

Hettie Ann Shoals,

Valliant, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 24, asking if your enrollment has been approved, and in reply you are advised that the names of Hattie Shoals and her children, Johnson, H. C., Elsie Ann, Jimmie and George Shoals, have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen which has been forwarded to the secretary of the Interior for approval, but the commission has not yet been notified of Departmental action thereon.

The matter of the allotment of the land referred to in your letter will be made the subject of another communication.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in charge.

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-21 1899.

Name Hattie Shoals 52

Choctaw? County Year No. 3085

Chickasaw ~~yes~~ County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing

Intermarried citizen? Choctaw Nation

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

|                   |        |      |      |          |
|-------------------|--------|------|------|----------|
| 25 Johnson Shoals | County | Year | Page | No. 3086 |
| 21 H C            | County | Year | Page | No. 3087 |
| 19 Elsie Ann      | County | Year | Page | No. 3090 |
| 18 Jimmie         | County | Year | Page | No. 3088 |
| 15 Georgia        | County | Year | Page | No. 3089 |
|                   | County | Year | Page | No.      |
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Choctaw Fr. 1272

Virginia Butler

Transferred from Chickasaw Freedman

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Fr. 1272

## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Virginia Butler, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 21st, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Virginia Butler.

Q. How old are you? A. 31

Q. Is Hattie Shoals your mother? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you been living here in the Choctaw Nation ever since you were born? A. Yes sir.

(See testimony of Hattie Shoals)

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, John Ross Butler, and Mabel Butler.

Hattie Shoals being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Hattie Shoals.

Q. Virginia Butler is your daughter is she? A. Yes sir.

Q. What children has she? A. Two.

Q. What are their names? A. John Ross Butler and Mabel Butler.

(Enrolled Virginia Butler and two children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

### Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

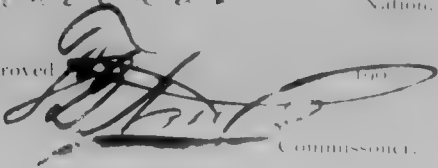
*John D. Miller*

is a child of

*John D. Miller*

Nation.

Approved



Commissioner.

*Procy 7 months of child.  
Listed for enrollment 1/22/99*

C. 10.



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Mable Butcher, born on the 28 day of Dec 1896  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Billie Butcher a citizen of the Choctaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Virginia Butcher a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office Valliant I. T.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Antal District.

I, Virginia Butcher, on oath state that I am 34  
years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Choctaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Billy Butcher, who is a citizen, by  
adoption, of the Choctaw Nation; that a female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on 28 day of Dec 1896 that said child has been named  
Mable Butcher, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Virginia Butcher.

Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

18

day of

Feb1904E. J. Gardner

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY,  
Antal District.

I, Hattie Shoals, a Midwife, on oath state that I at-  
tended on Mrs. Virginia Butcher, wife of Billie Butcher  
on the 28 day of Dec 1896 that there was born to her on said  
date a female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
(MALE OR FEMALE)  
Mable Butcher.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Hattie Shoals  
Mark

Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

18

day of

Feb1904E. J. Gardner

NOTARY PUBLIC.

17-1272

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 26, 1904.

Virginia Butler,

Clear Creek, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your daughter, Mabel Butler, as a freedman of the Choctaw Nation, it does not appear that any proof of the birth of said child has ever been filed with the Commission, and you should, therefore, immediately fill out and return to the Commission the enclosed blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

This matter should receive your immediate attention as until this affidavit is received nothing further can be done in the matter of the enrollment of your daughter as a Choctaw freedman.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1272

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 10, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card,  
number 1272:

"No. 3 born Dec. 28, 1896; proof  
of birth filed Feby. 10, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon  
the duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1272

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 10, 1904.

Billie Butler,

Valliant, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Virginia Butler and Hettie Shoals, relative to the birth of your minor daughter, Mabel Butler, December 28, 1896, and the same being in proper form have been duly filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

*Fruitman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-21* 1899.

Name *Virginia Butler*

Choctaw? County *Adair* Year No. *190*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen? *reading in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*3 John Ross Butler* County Year Page No. *297*

*2 Mabel* County Year Page No. *190*

County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1273

Jerry Frazier

Susie Roberts transferred from  
Chickasaw #D-41 July 16, 1905

Fr. 1273



DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Record in the matter of the application for the enrollment  
as a Chickasaw Freedman of  
Susie Roberts, 19-D-41.

FREEDMAN

in the matter of the application of Susie Roberts, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 24th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Susie Roberts.
- Q. Who was your mother? A. Sophy Prazier.
- Q. Whose slave was she? A. Susie Jones'
- Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Did you ever live in Texas? A. Yes sir, awhile.
- Q. Do you live in Texas now. A. Yes sir, I ain't been over there very long.
- Q. How long? A. About two years.
- Q. Were you married in Texas? A. Yes sir.
- Q. And you live there now? A. Yes sir.
- Q. You always lived here until about two years ago, and then went to Texas and married there? A. Yes sir.
- Q. Were you living in Texas when you married there? A. Yes sir.
- Q. How long were you living in Texas when you married? A. Not very long.
- Q. Were you born in Texas? A. No sir.
- Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.
- Q. Who was your father? A. Jerry Prazier.

(Put on white card as ~~Chickasaw~~ Chickasaw freedman)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*McNulty*

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES,  
ATOKA, INDIAN TERRITORY,  
September 7, 1904.

19-D-41.

In the matter of the enrollment of Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Collin Frazier, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

- Q. What is your name? A. Collin Frazier.  
Q. Do you know Susie Roberts? A. Yes, sir, she is my sister.  
Q. Same father and same mother? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. What do you know about Susie? Where was she born?  
A. She is dead.  
Q. When did she die? A. March 20, 1903.  
Q. Where was she born? A. In the Choctaw Nation, in Shawneetown.  
Q. Where has she lived since she was born? A. In Texas.  
Q. When did she go to Texas? A. About eight years ago and staid about three months and came back home. She never did move over there.  
Q. Did she go back to Texas after that? A. No, sir, she never did move there.  
Q. Are you on the rolls? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Are you on the final roll? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Have you filed yet? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. What became of her father? A. He is living in Shawneetown.  
Q. Have you been appointed administrator of this estate? A. Yes, sir.  
(Witness exhibits letters of administration showing that he has been appointed administrator of the estate of Susie Roberts, but same is not filed.)  
Q. Where is McCullough, Texas? A. Four miles from the Choctaw line.  
Q. She was living in Texas when she was married? A. Yes, sir, she went over there.  
Q. She was living in Texas at the time? A. No, sir, she just went over there with her first husband and staid three months and married again while there, but never did move her things away from our house in this Nation.  
Q. You mean she never lived in Texas, made her home there?  
A. If she made her home there, she made it without moving her things from here. And she always had them over here.  
Q. You claim that although your sister was living part of the time in Texas, she still held her home in the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. With whom? A. Her things were at my house.  
Q. She considered your house as her home? A. Yes, sir, she left her things with me and went about as she pleased. She was a loose woman after she left her husband.

Witness excused.

Sam Colbert, being first duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Lem Colbert.  
Q. Where do you live? A. Close to Shawneetown.  
Q. What do you know about Susie Roberts? A. I know she is Collin Frazier's sister. She married a man and lived with him for one year and after they separated she went over into Texas and passed back and forth.  
Q. Where is McCullough, Texas? A. Close to Shawneetown, across the river.  
Q. Is there a ferry there? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Do people of the Choctaw Nation get their mail at McCullough? A. No, sir, not now.  
Q. Did they used to? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. No mail or postoffice anywhere near on the Choctaw side? A. Yes, sir, but they bring it from Mitchell.  
Q. It was their custom to get their mail at McCullough? A. Yes, sir.  
Q. Changed in the last few years? A. I don't know.  
Q. Five years ago? A. Yes, sir, about that.  
Q. Did this woman, Susie Roberts, make her home in the Choctaw Nation? A. Yes sir, that was her home always with her father and after she married Rob Graham she lived with him and went to Texas after she left home.  
Q. Have you seen her back and forth ever since? A. Yes, sir, twice myself.

Witness excused.

Elsie E. Ashton, being first duly sworn, states that, as stenographer to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, she correctly reported the proceedings above, and that this is a full, true and correct transcript of her stenographic notes.

*Elsie E. Ashton*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 16 day of September, 1904.

*W. H. Campbell*  
Notary Public.

19-D-41.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman.

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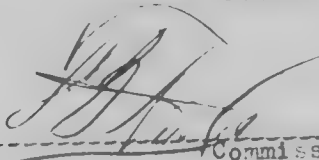
The record shows that on April 24, 1899, Susie Roberts appeared before the Commission at Alikchi, Indian Territory, and made application for the enrollment of herself as a Chickasaw freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter at Atoka, Indian Territory, on September 7, 1904.

The evidence in this case shows that Susie Roberts was born in the Choctaw Nation and was the daughter of Jerry Frazier and Sophy Frazier, both slaves of a Choctaw citizen; that said Jerry Frazier appears as number 4350 upon the lists prepared by this Commission under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), of persons entitled to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904; that the applicant was a resident in good faith of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country from her birth up to and including September 25, 1902, except for a temporary absence of about two years in the State of Texas, during which time she did not abandon her residence in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country.

It is, therefore, the opinion of this Commission that Susie Roberts should be enrolled as a Chickasaw freedman in accordance with the provisions of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 495), and it is so ordered.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

  
Chairman.

  
Commissioner.

  
Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 21, 1905.

Collin Prasier,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 21, 1905, granting the application for the enrollment of Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicant as a Chickasaw Freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, her name will be placed upon the final rolls of the freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED:

*Jarns Bixby*

Chairman.

Registered.

Incl. 19-D-41.



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COPY.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 21, 1906.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,

Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of this Commission rendered February 21, 1906, granting the application for the enrollment of Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman.

You are hereby advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said applicant as a Chickasaw Freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, her name will be placed upon the final rolls of the freedmen of the Chickasaw Nation to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

WITNESSED,

*Jane Dixey*

Chairman.

Registered.

Incl. 19-D-41.

19-B-41

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman.

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DECISION.

IT APPEARS FROM THE RECORD HEREIN: That on April 24, 1899, Susie Roberts appeared before the Commission at Alikchi, Indian Territory, and made application for the enrollment of herself as a Chickasaw Freedman. Further proceedings were had in the matter of said application at Atoka, Indian Territory, on September 7, 1904.

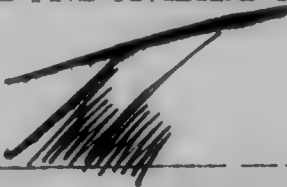
It further appears that on February 21, 1905, the Commission rendered its decision in the matter of the above application enrolling said applicant as a Chickasaw Freedman.

THE EVIDENCE IN THIS CASE SHOWS: that Susie Roberts was born in the Choctaw Nation and was the daughter of Jerry Frazier and Sophy Frazier, both slaves of a Choctaw citizen; that said Jerry Frazier appears as number 4350 upon the lists prepared by this Commission under the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 ( 32 Stat., 641), of persons entitled to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen and approved by the Secretary of the Interior June 28, 1904; that the applicant was a resident in good faith of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country from her birth up to and including September 25, 1902, except for a temporary absence of about two years in the State of Texas, during which time she did not abandon her residence in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country.

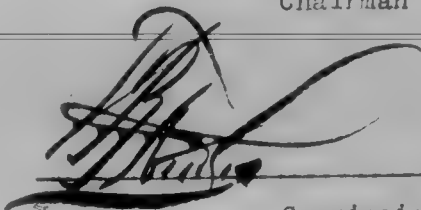
IT IS, THEREFORE, THE OPINION OF THIS COMMISSION: That

its decision of February 21, 1905, enrolling Susie Roberts as a Chickasaw Freedman should be rescinded, and that, under the provisions of section twenty-one of the Act of Congress approved June 28, 1898 ( 30 Stat., 495), said Susie Roberts should be enrolled as a Choctaw Freedman, and it is so ordered.

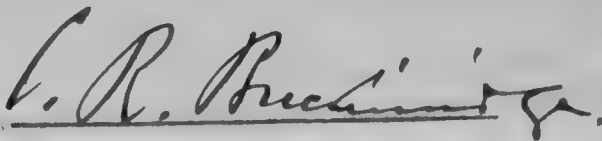
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.



Chairman



Commissioner



Commissioner

Dated at Muskogee, Indian Territory,  
this JUN 30 1905

19--1455

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 30, 1905.

COPY.

Collin Frazier,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered June 30, 1905, granting the application of Susie Roberts for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

The attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations have been furnished a copy of said decision and have been allowed fifteen days from the date of this notice within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling said Susie Roberts as a Choctaw Freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, her name will be placed upon the rolls of Choctaw Freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED

*Tams Bixby*

Chairman.

Register.

Incl--19--D--41

19--1455

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 30, 1905.

Copy.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,  
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,  
South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commission, rendered June 30, 1905, granting the application for the enrollment of Susie Roberts for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman.

You are advised that you will be allowed fifteen days from this date within which to file protest against the action of the Commission in enrolling the applicant herein as a Choctaw Freedman. If at the expiration of that time no protest has been filed, her name will be placed upon the final rolls of Choctaw Freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Jams Bixby*

Register.

Chairman.

Incl--19-D-41.

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Jerry Frazier to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Jerry Frazier.

Q. Where do you live? A. Red River County.

Q. Who was your master? A. Col. Jones and his wife Susie.

Q. Have you always lived in the territory? A. Yes sir, right at Shawneetown.

Q. Never live outside of the territory? A. No sir.

Q. How old are you? A/ 53

Q. Whose slave was your wife? A. Her mother belonged to Willis Harkins.

Q. What was he? A. Choctaw.

Q. Then your daughter Salina Williams, who just registered, was not her child? A. No sir, she was by my first wife.

Q. Who is Edmond Frazier? A. He is my son by my wife that died.

(Enrolled)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes

W. A. Smiley



18-1196  
17- 668

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 7, 1903.

John Frasier,

Shamestown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 30th ultimo returning the certificate of marriage between John Frasier and Tennessee Gilbert which was recently sent you through mistake.

Enclosed herewith you will find the original marriage license and certificate of John Frasier and Lena Graham, a certified copy of which has been duly prepared and filed with our records in the matter of the application for enrollment of Lena Frasier as a Choctaw Freedman.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Enc 3 I 27-88.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, August 20, 1904.

Collin Frazier,

Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir :-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your communication of the 17th inst., stating that you appeared at Alicka, Indian Territory, for the purpose of selecting an allotment for Susan Roberts, now deceased, and of whose estate you are the administrator, but that said application was refused for the reason that said Susan Roberts was not enrolled. You also give the names of the other members of her family, who, you state, have been enrolled, and further, that the enrollment was looked after by one Lane Colbert, a colored man. It also appears from your letter that Susan Roberts died March 20, 1904, and you ask that she be enrolled as a Chickasaw freedman.

You are advised it appears from our records that Susan Roberts, daughter of Jerry Frazier and Sophia Frazier, is listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, but before her application can be given further consideration it will be necessary that the Commission be furnished with evidence as to her residence since her birth and up to and including September 25, 1902, and for that purpose her father, Jerry Frazier, or some member of her family who is fully conversant with the facts and ~~can~~ testify under oath relative thereto, must appear in person before the Commission and give the required

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testimony. Such appearance may be made before the Commission at its office in Muskogee, Indian Territory, at any time, or at the Choctaw Land Office, at Atoka, Indian Territory, September 6 and 7, 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, at Tishomingo, Indian Territory, August 8 and 9, 1904.

It is important that this matter receive prompt attention.

Respectfully,

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Chairman.

17-323  
17-1273

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 11, 1904.

Jerry Frazier,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 2nd inst., requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that the names of Jerry Frazier and his sons, Johnnie and Willie Frazier, have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen, now being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

You are further advised it appears from our records that Fannie Frazier, McKinney, Freeman, Mary and Hickman Frazier, and Eva and Dora Brackeen have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 6, 1903.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

19-3-41.

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 25, 1904.

Susie Roberts,

McCullough, Texas.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself as a freedman of the Chickasaw Nation it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify relative to your right to enrollment as such freedman.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as soon as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 6-7 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 8-9, 1904.

Respectfully,

19-D-41

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 16, 1904.

H. W. Usher,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 10th instant, requesting to be advised relative to the status of the application for enrollment of Susie (or Susan) Roberts, as a Chickasaw freedman.

You are informed that Susie Roberts of McCullough, Texas, is an applicant to this Commission for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, but her rights to enrollment as such have not yet been determined.

Respectfully,

JD

Chairman.



19-D-41

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 3, 1905.

Collin Frasier,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 30, 1905, asking the status of Susan Roberts, daughter of Jerry and Sophia E. Frasier.

In reply to your letter you are informed that the Commission is considering the application of Susie Roberts, daughter of Jerry and Sophia Frasier, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman and when a decision is reached in this case you will be notified of the action taken therein.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-2388  
1905-41

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 3, 1905.

Edward Frasier,

Mullituklo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 24, 1905, in which you ask if the enrollment of Pinkie Scott and her children, Jesse Scott and Ernest Bagby, also Susie Roberts, has been passed upon.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the enrollment of Pinky Williams and her children, Jesse Scott, and Hunt and Tina Williams, as Choctaw freedmen, has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior. It appears from the records of this office that the application for the enrollment of Ernest Bagby as a Choctaw freedman was not received by the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes until August 5, 1904, at which time said Commission was without authority under the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, to receive or consider such application.

You are further advised that the application for the enrollment of Susie Roberts as a Choctaw freedman is now receiving consideration, and as soon as a decision is reached she will be notified of the action taken.

Respectfully,

17-1273

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 17, 1906.

Johnnie Frasier,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of December 7, 1906, in which you state that you made application for the enrollment of your minor children through Turner & Wiggins of Ardmore, Indian Territory, July 21, 1906 and you ask if you need to come and bring witnesses in person relative to this matter.

In reply to your letter you are advised that if you desire to present testimony tending to show that application was made for the enrollment of your children as Choctaw freedmen under the act of Congress approved April 26, 1906 prior to July 25, 1906, you should appear at the Choctaw Land Office at any time prior to January 1, 1907 as stated in office letter of December 1, 1906.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-24 1899.

Name Lucie Roberts  
 Choctaw? County Red River Year No. Not on roll  
 Chickasaw? County Year Page  
 Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw residing  
 Intermarried citizen? in Texas  
 Married under what law? Texas  
 License filed this day, Push on White Canal  
 Wife's name, Push on White Canal  
 Choctaw? County Year No.  
 Chickasaw? County Year Page  
 Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship  
 Intermarried citizen?  
 Married under what law?  
 License filed this day

Names of children:

| County | Year | Page | No. |
|--------|------|------|-----|
| County | Year | Page | No. |
| County | Year | Page | No. |
| County | Year | Page | No. |
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Choctaw Fr. 1274

Selina Williams

Fr. 1274

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Salina Williams, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn and examined by Commissioner Needles, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Salina Williams.

Q. How old are you? A. 26

Q. What is your mother's name? A. Sophy Frazier.

Q. What was your father's name? A. Jerry Frazier.

Q. Whose slaves were they? A. Robert Jones.

Q. Where is your father? A. He is here.

Jerry Frazier being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Do you know this girl? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who is she? A. A Salina.

Q. Is she any relation to you? A. Yes sir, she is my daughter.

Q. What is her name now? A. Salina Williams.

Q. Are you a Choctaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. What county do you live in? A. Red River County.

Q. Were you here at the time of the surrender? A. Yes sir.

Q. What farm were you living on? A. Col. Jones' at Shawneetown

Q. This girl Salina is your daughter is she? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Sophy Frazier. She belonged to Col. Jones too.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn testified as follows:

~~Do you know who they belonged to?~~ A. They belonged to Col. Jones' wife, Susie, and belong on the Chickasaw side.  
re-examined.

~~Salina Williams being duly sworn testified as follows:~~

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir five, they are by my first husband.

Q. Did you ever live anywhere else than in Choctaw Nation?  
A. No sir.

(Enrolled)



19-1195

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 15, 1903.

Salina Williams,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 6th instant, requesting to be advised relative to the rights of yourself and children to enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen.

You are informed it appears from our records that Salina Williams, whose maiden name was Frazier, and her minor children, Virginia, Isom, Calvin, Cora and Nora Brown, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon a schedule of such freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1274

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 7, 1904.

Seline Williams,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 18, 1904, in which you ask if the enrollment of yourself and your minor children has been approved, and whether or not you can now select your allotment.

In reply to your letter you are informed that your children Virginia, Isom, Calvin, Cora and Nova Brown, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw freedmen, and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

You are further informed that Seline Williams has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and her enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

Selections of allotments may now be made in behalf of yourself and children under the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is enclosed you herewith.

Respectfully,

for Allotment.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1274

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 24, 1903.

Henry Willis,

Talihina, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter without date asking the status of the enrollment of the following persons: Henry Willis, Ada Willis, John Willis, Robert Willis, Etta Willis, Brit Willis and Pearley Brown, Louis Addams and his family, Will, Birdy, Louis, Geney and Henry Addams.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that Henry Willis, his nephew, Robert Willis, and Henrietta Willis and Britt Willis, son of Calvin and Aggie Willis, have been listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not as yet been placed upon the schedules of Chickasaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that John Willis, son of Britt Willis and Susan Freeman, has been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman but information has reached this office that he is dead and his name has not been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

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No selection of allotment could, therefore, be made at this time for the persons above named.

It further appears from our records that Ada Brown, now the wife of Henry Willis, and her daughter, Pearly Brown, and Susan, Henry, Bishop, Birdie, Louis and Jennie Adams, children of Lewis Adams, a non-citizen, and Kate Adams, deceased, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and on April 8, 1903, their enrollment was approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1274

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 6, 1904.

Seline Williams,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of June 18, 1904, in which you ask if the enrollment of yourself and your minor children has been approved, and whether or not you can now select your allotment.

In reply to your letter you are informed that your children Virginia, Ison, Calvin, Cora and Nova Brown, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw freedmen, and their enrollment as such approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

You are further informed that Seline Williams has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw freedman and her enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior, June 28, 1904.

Selections of allotment may now be made in behalf of yourself and children under the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, copy of which is enclosed you herewith.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date)

1899.

Name

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

Year

Page

Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

Year

Page

Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

Age

13

County

Year

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John

County

Year

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John

County

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John

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John

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Choctaw Fr. 1275

Rebecca Graham

Fr. 1275

**FREEDMAN**

In the matter of the application of Rebecca Graham, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Rebecca Graham.

Q. How old are you? A. 42

Q. How long have you been married to Graham? A. About two years.

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Becky Barr

Q. Who was your mother? A. Sophy Frazier, Jerry Frazier's wife  
(See testimony of Salina Williams, sister of Rebecca Graham)

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Rebecca Graham and children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior.

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct translation of the stenographic notes taken at the hearing of the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, in the matter of the application of Rebecca Graham, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman, and being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES

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DEC 3 1902

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "H. H. H.", is written over the "FILED" and "DEC 3 1902" text.

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Dear Mr. [unclear]  
I have just received your letter  
of the 7th inst. and am  
glad to hear that you are  
well. I am also well.  
Yours truly,  
[unclear]

19-1187.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, November 6, 1908.

William Hailey,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Calvin Henry Hailey, infant son of William and Flora Hailey, born August 19, 1908; and the same is returned to you herewith for further information relative to the father of the child.

It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that her name is Flora Hailey, that she is 25 years of age, a citizen of the United States and the lawful wife of William Hailey, who is a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation.

You are informed that it does not appear from our records that any person by the name of William Hailey has ever been listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman. It does appear from our records, however, that Willis Hailey, 22 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman by this Commission April 22, 1899.

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If you are the identical person listed for enrollment as stated herein, it will be necessary that application be made for the enrollment of your child as a Chickasaw freedman; and for the purpose of assisting you in the matter there is also enclosed a blank application for the enrollment of an infant child.

Upon return of same properly executed, together with either your original marriage license and certificate or a certified copy thereof, the matter will receive further consideration.

Respectfully,

Acting Chairman.

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17-1275

Muskogee, Indian Territory, December 23, 1903.

William Hailey,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Under date of November 6, 1902, there was received at this office an application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Calvin Henry Hailey, infant son of William and Flora Hailey, born August 19, 1903, and the same was returned to you for further information relative to your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman and evidence of marriage between yourself and the mother of the child.

No further consideration can be given the application for the enrollment of your infant child until the information requested in our letter of November 6, 1902 is supplied and the application returned to this office; and you are therefore, requested to give the matter immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1278

Muskogee, Indian Territory, June 16, 1904.

Recky Lawson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th inst., requesting a plat of land and also requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of yourself and family.

You are informed it appears from our records that Rebecca Lawson of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman by this Commission April 22, 1898, and her name has been placed upon a schedule of freedmen of said Nation, now being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It further appears from our records that the other members of her family consisting of Willis James, Malinda Haley, Walter Thompson, Leanna and Nellie Green, Eliza Barr, and Matilda Lawson, have been duly enrolled by this Commission as Choctaw freedmen, & their enrollment as such having been approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 30, 1904.

If you will forward to this office a description of the lands for which you desire a plat, the matter will receive proper consideration.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedmen,  
1875.

Waskogee, Indian Territory, June 16, 1904.

Bill Halley,

c/o G. E. Maharday,

Shawnee town, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 28, in which you ask if the rights of your husband, James Halley, son of Rebecca Lawson, have been decided and his name approved by the Secretary of the Interior. You further state that you do not know where he is, and that you are a non-citizen, and you wish to be informed if you will be permitted to select allotment in his behalf.

In reply to your letter, you are informed that James Halley, son of Rebecca Lawson, has been enrolled by the Commission as a ~~Choctaw Freedman~~, and his enrollment approved by the Secretary of the Interior on March 30, 1904. Relative to selection of allotment in his behalf, your attention is invited to section "1" of the rules and regulations governing the selection of allotments and the designation of homesteads in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, a copy of which is herewith enclosed.

Replying to that part of your letter in which you ask if his brother, Willie Halley, has been approved, you are informed that Willie Halley has been enrolled by the Commission as a Choctaw Freedman and his enrollment is now approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

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Interior on March 30, 1904.

You do not describe the land for which you desire a plat,  
and it is therefore impracticable to comply with your request.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1875

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 13, 1904.

Melinda Washington,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 9th instant, giving information relative to your enrollment from which the Commission is able to identify you as having been enrolled under the name of Melinda Haley as a Choctaw freedman. Your said letter is in reply to our communication of October 3, 1904, acknowledging receipt of your affidavit and that of Ann Phillips relative to the birth of your minor son Robert Walker Thomas August 3, 1901, which appears to have been forwarded to this office as an application for enrollment of said child as a Choctaw freedman.

You are informed that under the provisions of the act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, the Commission is now without authority to receive or consider the original application for enrollment of any person whomsoever as a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1275

Waskagee, Indian Territory, October 27, 1904.

Melinda Washington,

Idabel, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:-

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 20th instant, requesting that when the enrollment of your minor son Robert Walker Thomas is approved by the Secretary of the Interior that notice of the same be forwarded to your address.

Under date of October 25, 1904, acknowledgment was made to you of the receipt of your affidavit and that of Ann Phillipps relative to the birth of your minor son Robert Walker Thomas August 31, 1901, and you were informed that under the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902, the Commission is now without authority to receive or consider the original application for enrollment of any person whomsoever as a citizen or freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 4, 1905.

Malinda Washington,

Care John Frazier,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 29, asking that John Frazier be notified when the enrollment of your child, Robert Walter Thomas, is approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that on October 13, 1904, there were forwarded to this office affidavits to the birth of Robert Walker Thomas, child of William and Malinda Thomas, August 3, 1901. There is, however, no authority, under the provisions of the act of Congress approved March 3, 1905, for the reception of applications for enrollment of children of Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-22* 1899.

Name *Rebecca Graham*

Choctaw? County *Ad. Choctaw* Year No. *Not on roll*

Chickasaw *Yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw Nation*

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

*Chickasaw*

22 *Willie Hal* County Year Page No. *1835*

21 *James* " *or roll as Jimmie* County Year Page No. *1836*

17 *Melinda* " County Year Page No. *1837*

County Year Page No.

15 *Walter Thompson* County Year Page No. *3336*

10 *Leanna Green* *or roll as Leanna Thompson* County Year Page No. *3337*

12 *Mollie* " " *Mollie* " County Year Page No. *3338*

County Year Page No.

8 *Elizabeth Barr* County Year Page No. *494*

6 *Matilda* " *or roll as Rilda Barr* County Year Page No. *495*

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Choctaw Fr. 1276

Collin Frazier

Fr. 1276

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Collin Frazier, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al he testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Collin Frazier.

Q. How old are you? A. About thirty eight.

Q. Who was your master? A. Old Col. Jones.

Q. What was your mother's name? A. Sophy Frazier.

Lin Colbert being dulysworn, testified as follows:

Q. Who did Sophy Frazier belong to? A. She belonged to Col. Jones' wife, Susie. He belongs on the Chickasaw side.

Collin Frazier re-examined/

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your wife a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir, one.

Q. What is its name? A. Wright Frazier.

Chickasaw  
(Enrolled Collin Frazier and one child as ~~Choctaw~~ Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

Friedman

MEMORANDA.

(Date) 4-22-1899

Name Collin Frazier

Choctaw? County Red River Year No. 1326

Chickasaw? yes County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship Chickasaw

Intermarried citizen? residing in Choctaw

Married under what law? Native

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

<sup>12</sup>  
5 Wright Frazier Chickasaw County Year Page No. 1369

County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1277

Monroe Colbert

Fr. 1277



FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Monroe Colbert, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Monroe Colbert.

Q. How old are you? A. 24

Q. Who was your mother? A. Lucy.

Q. Whose slave was she? A. I don't know.

Q. Any body here that knows? A. I guess so.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn testified as follows:

Q. Do you know Monroe Colbert? A. yes sir. He is my Grand Son, He married a state woman.

Q. Who did he belong to? A. His father belonged to Susan Jones, a Chickasaw, his mother was a non citizen.  
Chickasaw.

(Enrolled Monroe Colbert as ~~Choctaw~~ Freedman)

Department of the Interior

Commissioner

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the stenographic note.

W. S. Smith

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Miles Gilbert

as citizen of

Chocoma

Nation.

Approved

APR 24 1904

1904



Commissioner.

proof of birth & child  
India & enrollment

4/22/04

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
COMMISSION TO THE

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APR 24 1904



Commissioner

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation,  
 of *Miles Colbert* born on the *23* day of *July*, *1899*  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *Munro Colbert* a citizen of the *Choctaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Lulu Colbert* a citizen of the *U S* Nation.  
 Post-office *Shawnee town Ind Ter*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Central* INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, *Lulu Colbert*, on oath state that I am *23*  
 years of age and a citizen, by *U S* Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *Munro Colbert*, who is a citizen, by  
*adoption*, of the *Choctaw* Nation; that a *male* child was  
 (Male or female)  
 born to me on *23<sup>d</sup>* day of *July*, *1899*; that said child has been named  
*Miles Colbert*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

*Lulu Colbert*Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*25th*

day of

*April*190 *4**Chas A Deen*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

*Central* INDIAN TERRITORY.

District.

I, *Emily Douglass*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I at-  
 tended on Mrs. *Lulu Colbert*, wife of *Munro Colbert*  
 on the *23<sup>d</sup>* day of *July*, *1899*; that there was born to her on said  
 date a *Male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named  
*Miles Colbert*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

*Emily Douglass*Must be Two  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

*25th*

day of

*April*190 *4**Chas A Deen*

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

Vernice Solvent

as a citizen of

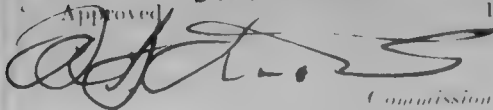
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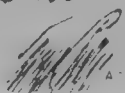
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES  
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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Prentice Colbert, born on the 7th day of March, 1901.  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Monroe Colbert, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Name of Mother: Lula Colbert, a citizen of the United States.  
Post-office, Shawnee, Indian Territory.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Indian Territory,  
Central District.

I, Lula Colbert, on oath state that I am 40 years of age and a citizen, by of the United States Nation; that I am the lawful wife of Monroe Colbert, who is a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that a male child was born to me on the 7th day of March, 1901; that said child has been named Prentice Colbert, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of July, 1901.

Chas A. Deussen  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
Indian Territory,  
Central District.

I, Fanny Robinson, midwife, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. Lula Colbert, wife of Monroe Colbert, on the 7th day of March, 1901; that there was born to her on said date a male child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Prentice Colbert.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two Witnesses)

Henry Morgan  
Chas A. Deussen

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 27 day of July, 1901.

Chas A. Deussen  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

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I am writing to you

Albuquerque, N.M.

Yours. I am a student  
and I am in the school  
to study the history of

the city of Baltimore.

From June 23, his

name is John (John)

he is the son of a

man.

John is a student

in the school of

the city of Baltimore.

With much love

and hope I am

Baltimore, N.M.

an ever devoted

myself to the study of



Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 9, 1901.

Mr. Monroe Colbert,  
 Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of an application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman of Prentice Colbert, the infant son of Monroe and Lulu Colbert, born March 7, 1901, and the same is returned to you herewith for the reason that the records of the Commission show that you were, on April 22, 1899, listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. It will, therefore, be necessary that the application be made for the enrollment of your child as a Chickasaw freedman.

It will also be necessary that you supply the Commission with evidence of your marriage to the mother of the child for whom application for enrollment is made.

There is enclosed you herewith a blank application for the enrollment of your child as a Chickasaw freedman, and upon return of the same, properly executed, and either your original marriage license and certificate or a certified copy thereof, the application for the enrollment of your child will receive further consideration.

Yours truly,

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Commissioner in Charge.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 30, 1901.

Mr. Monroe Gilbert,

Shannestown, Ind. Ter.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the certificate of marriage between yourself and Lula Polk, and the same has been duly filed with the records of the Commission.

Receipt is also acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Prentice Gilbert, the infant son of Monroe and Lula Gilbert, born March 7, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission, and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

19-1109

Acting Chairman.

17-1277

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Monroe Colbert,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, Miles Colbert, as a Choctaw freedman, it does not appear that you have ever filed with the Commission affidavits as to the birth of this child, which it is necessary for you to do, before anything further can be done in the matter of his enrollment. To assist you in making these affidavits there is enclosed you herewith a blank for proof of birth.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark, it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw F 1277

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 13, 1904.

Monroe Colbert,

Bokhoma, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 6, asking if you have been enrolled as a Chickasaw Freedman.

In reply to your letter you are informed that Monroe Colbert and his minor son, Prentice Colbert, have been enrolled by the Commission as Choctaw Freedmen and their enrollment was approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 30, 1904.

On January 25, 1904, you were notified that it did not appear from our records that the birth affidavit of your son, Miles Colbert, had been filed with our records, and that before further consideration could be given his enrollment it would be necessary that such affidavit be forwarded, and a blank for this purpose was enclosed with your letter. No response had heretofore been received to this communication and the matter is again called to your attention.

A second blank is enclosed herewith and you are informed that in having the same executed you should see that all blanks are properly filled and all names written in full and the notary public

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before whom they are acknowledged should affix his seal to each affidavit. A signature by mark must be witnessed by two persons.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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17-1277

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 30, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has this day been made upon original Choctaw freedman enrollment card, number 1277, Monroe Colbert, et al.,

"No. 2 born July 23, 1899; proof of birth filed, April 29, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon the duplicate of corresponding number in your possession.

Respectfully,

Chairman.



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MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-22* 1899.

Name *Monroe Colburn*

Choctaw? County *Red River* Year No. *864*

Chickasaw *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaw Freshman*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw*

Married under what law? *Nation*

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

County Year Page No.

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Choctaw Fr. 1278

Elizabeth Washington

Fr. 1278

FREEDMEN

In re application of Elizabeth Washington by her brother, to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikehi, I. T. April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:-

(Elizabeth Washington was a daughter of Susie Thompson, and she was a slave of Susan Jones, a Chickasaw)

George Mahardy presents certificate from physician, that his sister, Elizabeth Washington, is not able to attend in person on account of sickness.

Q. What is your name? A. George Mahardy.

Q. What is your sister's name? A. Elisabeth Washington.

Q. Has she any children? A. yes sir.

Q. Do you know that she has a young baby? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Elizabeth Washington and six children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

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IN RE

Application for Enrolment of

INFANT CHILD

Geo Cleveland Willis

IS A CHILD OF

Choctaw

Nation

Approved

1909

Commissioner

proof of birth of child  
listed for  
enrolment - 22, 39

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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

In Re Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
 of *Geo Cleveland Willis*, born on the *14* day of *April*, 18*99*  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *John Henry Willis* a citizen of the *non citizen* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Elizabeth Willis* a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
 Post-office *Shawneetown* *Ind.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central*

District,

I, *Elizabeth Willis* (Washington), on oath state that I am *25* years of age and a citizen, by *Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that I am the lawful wife of *John Henry Willis*, who is a citizen, of the *non* Nation; that a *male* child was born to me on *14* day of *April*, 18*99*; that said child has been named *Geo Cleveland Willis*, and is now living.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two Witnesses

*Tamplin*  
*Harper*

*Elizabeth Willis*  
 mark

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *12* day of *Feb*, 190*4*

*Robert E. Roberts*  
 my Commission Expires *July 27 1907*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MID-WIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

*Central*

District,

I, *Callie Mahardy*, a *Mid wife*, on oath state that I attended on Mrs. *Elizabeth Willis*, wife of *John Henry Willis*, on the *14* day of *April*, 18*99*; that there was born to her on said date a *male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named *Geo Cleveland Willis*.

## WITNESSES TO MARK:

Must be Two Witnesses

*Callie Mahardy*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *14* day of *Feb*, 190*4*

*Robert E. Roberts*  
 my Commission Expires *July 27 1907*

NOTARY PUBLIC.

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17-1278

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1904.

Elizabeth Washington,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the application for the enrollment of your son, George Cleveland Willis, as a Choctaw freedman, you are hereby advised that, before anything further can be done in the matter of his enrollment, it will be necessary for you to furnish the Commission with affidavits as to the birth of said child, a blank for that purpose being enclosed herewith.

In having the same executed be careful to see that all blank spaces are properly filled, all names written in full, and that the notary public, before whom the affidavits are sworn to, attaches his name and seal to each affidavit. In case any signature is by mark it must be attested by two disinterested parties, witnesses thereto.

Respectfully,

B.C.  
Env.

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1278

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1904.

John Henry Willis,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the affidavits of Elizabeth Willis and Callie Mahardy, relative to the birth of your minor son, Geo. Cleveland Willis, April 14, 1899, and the same being in proper form have been filed with the records of the Commission as evidence of birth of the above named child.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1278

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 18, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

You are hereby advised that the following notation has  
this day been made upon original Choctaw enrollment card No. 1278:

"No. 6 born April 14, 1898; proof of birth filed  
Feb'y. 17, 1904."

You are therefore requested to make like notation upon  
duplicate card in your possession.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
1278

Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 9, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 6, ~~inclosing letter received at your office from Elizabeth Willis of~~ Shawneetown, Indian Territory, requesting that certain land described therein be reserved for her allotment, and stating that she has been advised by this office that her name has been placed upon a schedule but not yet forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior for approval.

You state that you are unable to identify this woman upon any of the schedules of your office, and request that the records of this office be examined and in the event the name of Elizabeth Willis appears thereon that her letter be returned to your office with information concerning her status.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it appears from our records that this woman was listed for enrollment as Elizabeth Washington and her name appears upon Choctaw freedman card 1278. Her name has been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedman which has been forwarded to the Secretary of the Interior but the commission has not yet been informed of Departmental action thereon.

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The letter of Elizabeth Willis is herewith returned.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Choctaw Freedmen  
1878.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 21, 1904.

Elizabeth Willis,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of May 14, in which you ask if the enrollment of Geo. Cleveland Willis has been approved, so that you can now make selection of his allotment.

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In reply to your letter, you are informed that the name of your child, Geo. Cleveland Willis, will be placed upon the next schedule of Choctaw Freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

It is suggested that you communicate with the Commission in about sixty days, when you will be notified whether or not his enrollment has been approved.

Respectfully,

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Commissioner in Charge.



*Frederick*

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

1899.

Name

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw

County

Year

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Choctaw Fr. 1279

Sarah Milton

Fr. 1279

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Parthenia Barr to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Parthenia Barr.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Aggie Gooddridge.

Q. Who was her mother? A. Uncle Lin can tell.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn testified as follows:-

Q. Do you know Parthenia Barr? A. Yes sir.

Q. Who did her mother belong to? A. She belonged to Susan Jones, , and belongs to the Chickasaw side.

Parthenia Barr re-examined:

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir, but I have some of my sister's children.

Q. What are their names? A. Sarah Milton, Frank Milton, and Desy Milton.

Q. Are they your own sister's children? A. yes sir.

Q. Is she dead? A. Yes sir.

(Enrolled Parthenia Barr and her sister's children as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

*Friedman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date) *4-22* 1899.

Name *Parthenia Barr or roll as Parthanna Barr*

Choctaw? County Year No. *385*

Chickasaw? *yes* County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship *Chickasaws*

Intermarried citizen? *residing in Choctaw*

Married under what law? *Hattiesburg*

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw? County Year No.

Chickasaw? County Year Page

Citizen by blood? Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day *Chickasaws*

Names of children:

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| <i>7</i> | <i>Sarah Milton</i> | <i>roll as Sarah Middleton</i> | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2446</i> |
| <i>3</i> | <i>Frank</i>        | <i>"</i>                       | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2438</i> |
| <i>5</i> | <i>Daisy</i>        | <i>"</i>                       | County | Year | Page | No. <i>2447</i> |
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Choctaw Fr. 1280

Mandy Wire

Transferred from Chickasaw Freedman  
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Fr 1280

## FREEDMAN

In re application of Mandy Wire to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes at Goodland, I. T., May 12th, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. Mandy Wire.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Phoebe Jackson.

Q. Who did she belong to? A. Lenahoe.

Q. Where have you lived all the time? Here in the nation, freed right here.

Q. Are you married? A. My husband is dead.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

(Mandy Wire and children enrolled as Chickasaw Freedmen)

Department of the Interior,  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley



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Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 14, 1903.

J. E. Whitehead,

Attorney at Law,

South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 4th instant, requesting to be advised relative to the enrollment of Samuel Shoals, William Ware, Esther Morl or Fisher, Solomon McCoy and James Nail.

You are informed that S. D. Shoals of Oberlin, Indian Territory, and William Wire of Goodland, Indian Territory, are listed for enrollment as Chickasaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon the schedule of Chickasaw Freedmen now being prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

You are further advised that Esther Fisher of Nelson, Indian Territory, and her son, Victor Fisher, have been enrolled as Choctaw Freedmen by this Commission and their enrollment, as such, approved by the Secretary of the Interior, April 8, 1903, and that Solomon McCoy of Bible, Indian Territory, who is now about forty-one years of age, has been enrolled by this Commission as a Choctaw Freedman and his enrollment, as such, approved by the Secretary of

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the Interior, April 8, 1903.

You are further advised that Jirmie Nail, son of Alfred and Winay Nail, now about nineteen years of age, has been enrolled by this Commission as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and his enrollment, as such, approved by the Secretary of the Interior, March 19, 1903.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Choctaw Freedmen  
1280

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 7, 1904.

Amanda Ware,

Hugo, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 2, asking if your name and the names of your children have been approved as Chickasaws, and if so, requesting a ticket of admission to the land office.

In reply to your letter you are advised that Mandy Wire, and her children, William, Isom, Peter, Calvin and Pattie Wire, have been listed for enrollment as Choctaw Freedmen, but their names have not yet been placed upon schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior. No selection in allotment could, therefore, be made on behalf of these persons.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1280

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 11, 1904.

~~William Ware,~~

Hugo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 6, 1904, asking if the enrollment of Amanda Ware and her family has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that on January 7, 1904, the Commission addressed a communication to Amanda Ware, Hugo, Indian Territory, advising her relative to the status of the enrollment of herself and her children.

It is suggested that you communicate with the Commission again in about two months and you will then be notified whether or not her enrollment has been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Before further consideration can be given the application for the enrollment of Florence Shields it will be necessary that proper evidence of her birth be furnished and for that purpose there is enclosed herewith blank form for proof of birth

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which kindly have executed and return to this office as early as possible. In having the same executed, be careful to see that all blanks are properly filled, all names written in full and that the Notary public, before whom the affidavits are acknowledged, affixes his name and seal to each affidavit. Signature by mark must be accepted by two disinterested persons.

Respectfully,

CHAS. H. HARRIS.

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# MEMORANDA.

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Mandy Wire

Choctaw?

County

Year

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Chickasaw?

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Chickasaw Friedman

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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George Mahardy

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## FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of George Mahardy, to the Commission to the five Civilized Tribes at Alikchi, I.T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, he testified as follows:

Q. What is your name? A. George Mahardy.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Susie Thompson.

Q. Whose slave was your mother? A. Susie Jones.

Lin Colbert being duly sworn, testified as follows:

Q. Who was Geo. Mahardy's mother, who did she belong to?

A. She belonged to Susie Jones, on the chickasaw side.

George Mahardy re-examined.

Q. Have you got a wife? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is she a state woman? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

Department of the Interior  
Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my oath as stenographer to above named Commission that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

*W. A. Smiley*

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Timothy L. Mahardy*  
as a citizen of the*Chickasaw* Nation.

Approved,

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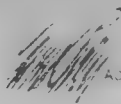


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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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## Department of the Interior,

## COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
 of *Thelmer S. Mahardy*, born on the *7th* day of *Oct.*, 1901  
 (Here insert name of child)  
 Name of Father: *George E. Mahardy*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
 Name of Mother: *Callie Mahardy*, a citizen of the *M. D.* Nation.  
 Postoffice, *Shawmutown D. C.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Centric*

District.)

I, *Callie Mahardy*, on oath state that I am *26*-  
 years of age and a citizen, by *Adoption* of the *U. S.* Nation;  
 that I am the lawful wife of *George E. Mahardy*, who is a citizen, by  
*Adoption*, of the *Chickasaw* Nation; that a *Female* child was  
 (male or female)  
 born to me on the *7th* day of *Oct.*, 1901; that said child has been  
 named *Thelmer S. Mahardy*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*S. H. Burton*  
*H. W. Simpson*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16th* day of *April*, 1902

*J. S. Wright*

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.)

INDIAN TERRITORY.

*Centric*

District.)

I, *Annie Washington* a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
 attended on Mrs. *Callie Mahardy*, wife of *George E. Mahardy*  
 on the *7th* day of *Oct.*, 1901; that there was born to her on  
 said date a *Female* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
 (male or female)  
 named *Thelmer S. Mahardy*.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two  
Witnesses)

*S. H. Burton*  
*H. W. Simpson*

*Annie Washington*  
*mark*

Subscribed and sworn to before me this *16th* day of *April*, 1902

*J. S. Wright*

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Certificate of Marriage.

This certifies that on the 28<sup>th</sup>  
Day of February A.D. 1896

George E. Mahardy  
And  
Callie Hillis

were by me  
united in Marriage at  
Shawnee Town, Ind. according  
to the laws of the Ind. Territory  
Witnesses

L. F. Young  
R. E. Butler  
A. Thompson

H. C. [illegible]  
[illegible]

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HENRY L. ALLEN,  
TAMM DEERY,  
ALEXANDER S. McKEITHEN,  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES,  
ALLISON I. ATLEWORTH, Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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Muskogee, I.T., December 30, 1899.

Mr. George Mahardy,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear sir:

The inclosed birth certificate in the matter of the application for enrollment of your child, Thomas W., as a citizen of the Chickasaw nation, is returned, because the notary public before whom the affidavit of the mother was taken, neglected to affix the impress of his seal thereon.

Furnish this Commission evidence as to your marriage with your wife, she being a non-citizen. This is necessary in order to cover the enrollment of this child, and to this end your marriage license and certificate should be forwarded; or if you are unable to furnish such evidence, witnesses should be produced before this Commission for oral examination.

When the defect in the certificate returned herewith has been cured, return same promptly to this office.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Inclosure #73.

COMMISSIONERS  
HENRY L. DAVIS  
TAMM BIXBY  
ARCHIBALD S. MCKENNON  
THOMAS B. NEEDLES

ALLISON I. AYLESWORTH  
SECRETARY

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 1, 1900.

Mr. George E. Mahardy,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of birth certificate covering the birth of your infant child, and the same has been duly filed. It will be necessary that you furnish the Commission with evidence of marriage of George E. Mahardy and Callie Mahardy. You should furnish the Commission with this marriage license and certificate at the earliest date possible.

Until this information is furnished, no action can be taken with reference to the registering of the name of your infant child for enrollment.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

On January 18, 1901.  
Chas. W. Johnson 1901.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 16, 1900.

Mr. George F. Mahoney,

Shawnee, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

The Commission is in receipt of your letter of January 18, 1900, enclosing the certificate of marriage of yourself and Callie Willis, requested of you in the matter of the enrollment of your son, Thomas W. Mahoney, and the same has been duly filed with the records of this Commission.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 29, 1901.

W. H. Mahardy,

Davis, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of April 9, 1901, in which you desire information from the Commission relative to the rights to possession of certain tracts of land in the Chickasaw Nation and also as to the manner of allotment of the lands of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations to be made to the Chickasaw freedmen.

You are informed that this is a matter upon which the Commission cannot at this time render any opinion as to the right to select any certain tract of land in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country and the manner of making of such allotment will properly come before a land office when such is established in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country.

The Commission cannot at this time give you any definite information as to the opening of such land office. It is impossible at this time to give you any information as to the date of the final closing of the rolls of citizens and freedmen of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations for the reason that there is no agreement now in effect between the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and the United States looking to the closing of the rolls of these two Nations.

As to your inquiry whether Thomas W. Mahardy has been enrolled, you are informed that it appears from our records that on December 18, 1899, Thomas W. Mahardy, 3 months old, the son of

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George Mahardy, a Chickasaw freedman and Callie Mahardy, a non citizen negro, was listed for enrollment upon the presentation of proper affidavits as to the birth of this child.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskegee, Indian Territory, January 31, 1902.

Charles Cohec,

Berwyn, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter without date, in which you desire to be informed if Sarah and George Mahardy are on the Chickasaw rolls.

Replying to your inquiry you are informed that it appears from the records of this office that on April 20, 1899, Sarah Mahardy, 26 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

It also appears from our records that on April 22, 1899, George Mahardy, 24 years of age, of Shawneetown, Indian Territory, was listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 31, 1902.

George E. Mahardy,  
Chawncetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Thelmer L. Mahardy infant daughter of George E. and Callie Mahardy, born October 7, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, May 21, 1902.

G. E. Mahardy,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of April 26, 1902, addressed to the Secretary of the Interior, Washington, D. C. has been by him referred to this Commission for consideration and appropriate action.

Therein you desire certain information on questions relative to the allotment of the lands of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country to the Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen.

Replying to your communication you are advised that the Commission cannot at this time render any opinions upon the probable rights of persons to share in the lands of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country. The matters treated of in your letter will receive the consideration of the Commission upon the establishment of an allotment office in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country for the purpose of allowing the citizens and freedmen of these two tribes to make selection of and file upon their prospective allotments.

The present legislation relative to the allotment of lands to the Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen is contained in a provision of the agreement of April 23, 1897 between the United States and the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, and is as follows:

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"That the said Choctaw and Chickasaw freedmen who may be entitled to allotments of forty acres each shall be entitled each to land equal in value to forty acres of the average land of the two nations."

There is now pending before the Congress of the United States an agreement entered into at Washington, D. C. on March 21, 1902, between commissioners on the part of the United States and the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations in which the manner of the allotment of the lands of the Choctaw-Chickasaw country is provided for.

This agreement is subject to ratification by the Congress of the United States and by the citizens of the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations and does not become operative until such final ratification.

Due public notice will be given of the establishment of an allotment office in the Choctaw-Chickasaw country so that all citizens and freedmen of these two tribes may have an opportunity to make selection of and file upon their prospective allotments.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

Chickasaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 20, 1903.

George Mahardy,

Pine Bluff, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Please inform the Commission how long you have been living in the state of Arkansas, and whether you have removed your family to that state, and made your residence there.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

Chickasaw Freedman  
1201.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 20, 1903.

George Mahardy,

Pine Bluff, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 10, asking when the land office will be opened, and whether your mother or sister will be permitted to represent you in the selection of your land.

In reply to your letter you are advised that land offices will be established at Atoka in the Choctaw Nation, and Tishomingo in the Chickasaw Nation, on April 15, 1903, at which time the citizens and freedmen of these two tribes will be permitted to appear at the land office for the nation in which their land is located, and make formal application for their allotments.

Replying to that part of your letter in which you ask if your mother or sister will be permitted to represent you at the land office, you are informed that the rules governing the selection of allotments in the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, have not yet been promulgated and it is impossible to give you any definite information on this subject. Your attention, however, is invited to the following provision of the act of Congress of July 1, 1902, which was ratified

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by the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations on September 25, 1902:

"Allotments may be selected and homesteads designated for minors by the father or mother, if members, or by a guardian or curator, or the administrator having charge of their estate, in the order named; and for prisoners, convicts, aged and infirm persons by duly appointed agents under power of attorney; and for incompetents by guardians, curators, or other suitable person akin to them; but it shall be the duty of said Commission to see that said selections are made for the best interests of such parties."

Respectfully,

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Chairman.

Chickasaw Freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, April 7, 1903.

George Mahardy,

Pine Bluff, Arkansas,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 30,  
stating that you have been in the state of Arkansas only sixty days  
and expect to return to your home in the Territory in a short time.

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Commissioner in Charge.



Choctaw freedman  
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Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 16, 1904.

George Mahardy,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of March 7, asking if Chickasaw freedmen are not allowed to file on their allotments. You further ask if Jenkin Riley and his children and Rolin Riley have been transferred to the Choctaw freedmen roll and state that they cannot be Choctaw freedmen any more than yourself as you all belonged to Mrs. Susie Jones, wife of Bob Jones. In conclusion you ask if your enrollment has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that the Choctaw Nation having placed the names of Jenkin Riley and his children and Roland Johnson and George Mahardy upon the 1896 census roll of Choctaw freedmen, their names have been placed upon a schedule of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior, but their enrollment has not yet been approved by the Secretary of the Interior.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

# MEMORANDA.

(Date)

1899.

Name

Choctaw ?

County

Year

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Chickasaw ?

County

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw ?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw ?

County

Year

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Citizen by blood ?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen ?

Married under what law ?

License filed this day

Names of children:

County

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Choctaw Fr. 1282

Mary Jackson

Fr. 1282

FREEDMAN

In the matter of the application of Mary Jackson to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Mary Jackson.

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Mary Mahardy.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Celia Thompson.

Q. Who was her master? A. Sasse Jones.

Q. What was she? A. A Chickasaw.

Q. Have you got any children? A. Yes sir.

Q. Is your husband a state man? A. Yes sir.

(E(Enrolled as Chickasaw freedmen)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I, the undersigned, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct translation of the stenographic notes taken at the hearing of the above named case, and that this translation is a true and correct translation of the stenographic notes.

W. A. Smiley

March 1, 1902

IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Karris E. Wood Jackson*  
as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation.

Approved

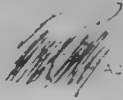
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COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation,  
of *Norris Elwood Jackson* born on the *12* day of *January*, 190*2*  
(Here insert name of child.)  
Name of Father: *Sanders Jackson*, a citizen of the *United States*.  
Name of Mother: *Mary Ann Jackson*, a citizen of the *Chickasaw* Nation.  
Post-office: *Hawkesbury*, *T.A.*

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
*Central* District. }

I, *Mary Jackson*, on oath state that I am *25*  
years of age and a citizen, by *Adoption* of the *Chickasaw* Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of *Sanders Jackson*, who is a citizen, by  
of the *United States* Nation, that a *Male* child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the *12<sup>th</sup>* day of *January*, 190*2* that said child has been  
named *Norris Elwood Jackson*, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

(Must be Two)  
(Witnesses)*Mary Ann Jackson*Subscribed and sworn to before me this *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 190*2*.*Claude Dumas*

NOTARY PUBLIC

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, }  
INDIAN TERRITORY, }  
District. }

I, *Elizabeth Willis*, a *Midwife*, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. *Mary Ann Jackson* wife of *Sanders Jackson*  
on the *12* day of *January*, 190*2* that there was born to her on  
said date a *Male* child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named *Norris Elwood Jackson*.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

(Must be Two)  
(Witnesses)*Elizabeth Willis*Subscribed and sworn to before me this *15<sup>th</sup>* day of *March*, 190*2*.*Claude Dumas*

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

John A. ...

As a ... of the

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Approved

*[Handwritten Signature]*

Commissioner



Department of the Interior,

COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the

Chickasaw

Frederick  
Nation.

of Eldridge Jackson, born on the 31 day of July, 1877

Name of father: Sanders Jackson, a citizen of the U.S.

Name of mother: Mary Jackson, a citizen of the Chickasaw

Post Office: Sharonutown I.T.

AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Cent District.

I, Mary Jackson, on oath, state that I am 22 years of age and a citizen, by adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation; that I am the lawful wife of Sanders Jackson who is a citizen, U.S. Frederick, of the

and is now living.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

Mary Jackson  
7th day of Oct, 1899  
William Swink  
Notary Public.

AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

INDIAN TERRITORY,

Cent District.

I, Elizabeth Washington, a Midwife, on oath, state that I attended on Mrs. Mary Jackson, wife of Sanders Jackson, on the 31 day of July, 1899; that there was born to her on said date a Boy child; that said child is now living and is said to have been named Eldridge Jackson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this

Elizabeth Washington  
7th day of Oct, 1899  
William Swink  
Notary Public.



19-1808

Muskogee, Indian Territory, March 28, 1908.

Sanders Jackson,

Shawnee town, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman of Herrie Elwood Jackson the infant son of Sanders and Mary Ann Jackson born January 12, 1908 and the same being in proper form has been duly filed with the records of the Commission and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman.

Yours truly,

Commissioner in Charge.

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Washoe, Indian Territory, January 3, 1901.

Henry Jackson,

Came U. M. Wright, Henry Public,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

It appears from our records that on December 14, 1900, there was received at this office an application for enrollment, as a Choctaw freedman, of Marnice Jackson, infant son of Henry and Mary Jackson, born June 12, 1901. It is stated in the affidavit of the mother that she is twenty-six years of age, a citizen of the United States and the lawful wife of Henry Jackson, who is a citizen by adoption of the Choctaw Nation.

You are informed that before further consideration can be given to the application for the enrollment of the above named child it will be necessary for you to state your age, the time and place application was made for your enrollment as a Choctaw freedman together with the names of the other members of your family for whom application was made at the same time; it will also be necessary that you furnish the Commission with legal evidence of marriage

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between yourself and Mary Jackson. It is important that this matter receive immediate attention.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1282

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 19, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,  
Chickasaw Land Office,  
Tishomingo, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to duplicate Choctaw freedman enrollment card number 1282 recently forwarded to your office, and the notation relative to No. 3 which reads "No. 3 enrolled March 28, 1903"; you are advised that the year 1903 is in error and should be made to read "1902".

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

17-1082

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 19, 1904.

Commissioner in Charge,

Choctaw Land Office,

Atoka, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Referring to duplicate Choctaw freedman enrollment card number 1232 recently forwarded to your office, and the notation relative to No. 3 which reads "No. 3 enrolled March 28, 1903"; you are advised that the year 1903 is in error and should be made to read "1902".

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.



# MEMORANDA.

(Date)

4-22 1899.

Name

~~Louis~~ Mary Jackson on all in town, N. H. by

Choctaw?

County

Red River

Year

No. 2440

Chickasaw?

County

YLR

Year

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Chickasaw

Intermarried citizen?

Native

Choctaw

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw?

County

Year

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Emma Green

Granted Feb. 2, 1907

Fr. 1283

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment as  
Chickasaw freedmen.....OF.....

EMMA GREEN, et al.,...17-1283.

EXHIBIT

In the matter of the application of Emma Green to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes, at Alikchi, I. T., April 22nd, 1899, for enrollment as a Chickasaw freedman. Being duly sworn by Commissioner Needles, and examined by him, et al, she testified as follows:-

Q. What is your name? A. Emma Green.

Q. How old are you? A. 17

Q. Are you married? A. Yes sir.

Q. What was your name before you were married? A. Emma Folsom.

Q. Who was your mother? A. Martha Jackson.

Q. Who was her master? A. Sampson Folsom.

Q. What was he a Chickasaw? A. Yes sir.

Q. Did you marry a state man? A. Yes sir.

Q. Have you got any children? A. No sir.

(Enrolled as a Chickasaw Freedman)

Department of the Interior,

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as stenographer to above named Commission, that this transcript is a true, full and correct translation of my stenographic notes.

W. A. Smith

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IN RE

Application for Enrollment of

INFANT CHILD

*Eveline Green*

as a citizen of

*Chickasaw*

Nation

Approved,

OCT 29 1901

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BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSION TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

IN RE Application for Enrollment, as a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation,  
of Eveline Green, born on the 10 day of Oct, 1901  
(Here insert name of child)  
Name of Father: Tom W Green, a citizen of the United States Nation.  
Name of Mother: Emma Green, a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation.  
Post-office, Shawnee town T. B.

## AFFIDAVIT OF MOTHER.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Emma Green, on oath state that I am 19  
years of age and a citizen, by Adoption, of the Chickasaw Nation;  
that I am the lawful wife of Thomas W Green, who is a citizen, by  
of the United States Nation, that a Female child was  
(male or female)  
born to me on the 10 day of Oct, 1901; that said child has been  
named Eveline Green, and is now living.

WITNESSES TO MARK

Emma Green

(Must be Two)  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of Oct, 1901.

Claude Denison  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

## AFFIDAVIT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIAN, OR MIDWIFE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
INDIAN TERRITORY.

Central District.

I, Fredonia Fulson, a Midwife, on oath state that I  
attended on Mrs. Emma Green, wife of Thomas W Green  
on the 10 day of Oct, 1901; that there was born to her on  
said date a Female child; that said child is now living and is said to have been  
(male or female)  
named Eveline Green.

WITNESSES TO MARK:

Fredonia Fulson

(Must be Two)  
Witnesses

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25 day of Oct, 1901.

Claude Denison  
NOTARY PUBLIC.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR?  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory, Jan., 21, 1907.

In the matter of the application for enrollment as a  
Freedman of the Choctaw Nation of Emma Green, card number 1283.

Tom W. Green being duly sworn testified as follows:

EXAMINATION BY THE COMMISSIONER:

- Q What is your name? A Tom W. Green.  
Q How old are you? A 39 years old.  
Q What is your post-office address? A Shawneetown, I. T.  
Q Are you a Freedman of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation? A No sir.  
Q Are you a non-citizen? A Yes sir.  
Q Are you the husband of Emma Green? A ~~YES~~ YES. At one time I was.  
Q Have you a child? A Yes sir.  
Q What is its name? A Evaline Green.  
Q Is Evaline Green living? A Yes sir.  
Q What is her mother's name? A Emma Green.  
Q Your wife? A Yes sir.  
Q And you and Emma Green are now separated? A Yes sir.  
Q How long have you been separated? A In the neighborhood of three years.  
Q Is Emma Green now living? A She is.  
Q What was the name of Emma Green's father? A Nub Folsom.  
Q Was he a Freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A No sir he was a Choctaw by blood.  
Q Is he living now? A As far as I know, he is.  
Q What was the name of Emma Green's mother? A Martha Jackson.  
Q Is Martha Jackson living now? A As far as I know, she is.  
Q Is she a Freedman of the Choctaw Nation? A Yes sir, I suppose she was a Freedman.  
Q Of the Choctaw or Chickasaw Nation? A I don't know which one.  
Q Where does Martha Jackson live at this time? A Ft. Towson.  
Q What is the name of her father? A Her father's name was Grandy Shoals.  
Q Do you know the name of Martha Jackson's mother? A It was Cokey.  
Q How old is Martha Jackson at this time? A In the neighborhood of 78, somewhere.  
Q Was she born during slavery? A Yes sir.  
Q Do you know the name of Martha Jackson's owner? A I do not know, it was Folsom, but I forgot his initials.  
Q Did Martha Jackson have any other children besides your wife, Emma Green? A Yes sir.  
Q What are their names? A Daisy Folsom, David Green, I forgot but another boy's name was Jackson.  
Q Where was Emma Green born? A Around Ft. Towson somewhere.  
Q How long did she live there? A She was there about 18 years before she was married.  
Q And then you married her? A Yes sir.  
Q Did she live near Ft. Towson, in the ~~EMMA~~ Choctaw Nation continuously from the time of her birth up to the time you married her? A Yes sir.  
Q Was she ever out of the Choctaw Nation, or Indian Territory to make her home any place else? A No sir, not that I know of.  
Q How long had you known Emma Green before you married her. A Five or six years.  
Q When was it that you married Emma Green? A Married her in 1899.  
Q And had known her five or six years. A Yes sir.  
Q During the time you had known her up to the time you married her, was she ever outside of the Choctaw Nation? A No sir only on a visit.  
Q Did she go out some times to visit? A She did.



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- Q Where? A Texas.
- Q How long would she stay in Texas when she would go to visit?  
A One to two days.
- Q She never at any time made her home in Texas? A No sir, from the time I knew her she did not.
- Q After you married Emma Green did she live continuously in the Choctaw Nation up to the present time? A She did.
- Q She never has been outside of the Choctaw Nation since you knew her five or six years before you married her to make her home any other place? A No sir.
- Q How old is Emma Green at this time? A In the neighborhood of 35 years old.
- Q How old is your child, Evaline? A Five years past.
- Q Do you know the exact date of her birth? A She was born the 10th of October, 1901.
- Q Have you furnished the Commission with evidence of the birth of Evaline? A Yes sir.
- Q Was your wife, Emma Green, ever known by the name of James?  
A It seems that her mother told me that when they were first adopted in 1885 a mistake was made and they put her name down as Emma James.
- Q Were they at that time living near Fort Towson? A Yes sir.
- Q Do you know why she was at one time known as Emma James?  
A Her brother's name was David James and in making the roll for adoption in 1885 they made a mistake and made her name James in place of Folsom.

Frank L. Doble being duly sworn on oath states that the above and foregoing is a full, true and correct transcript of his stenographic notes taken in the above entitled cause at Shawneeetown, Indian Territory, on January 21, 1907.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this January 21, 1907.

  
Notary Public.

17-1283  
O.L.J.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,  
COMMISSIONER TO THE FIVE CIVILIZED TRIBES.

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In the matter of the application for the enrollment of  
Emma Green, et al., as Chickasaw freedmen.

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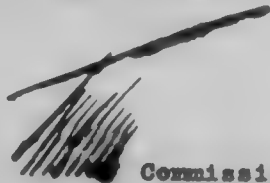
It appears from the record herein that on April 22, 1899, application was made to the Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes for the enrollment of Emma Green as a Chickasaw freedman. Subsequently on October 29, 1901, written application was filed for the enrollment of Evaline Green as a Chickasaw freedman.

It further appears from the record herein that Evaline Green was born on October 16, 1901, and is the daughter of the applicant, Emma Green, who was born in about the year 1882; that said Emma Green is the daughter of Martha Jackson, whose name appears as No. 3974 upon the final roll of Choctaw freedmen approved by the Secretary of the Interior March 3, 1904, and was a resident in good faith of the Indian Territory on June 28, 1898.

On January 21, 1907, Tom W. Green, husband of Emma Green, testified before the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes at Shawneetown, Indian Territory, at which time he stated that the father of Emma Green was Nub Folsom, an alleged Choctaw by blood.

It appears, however, from the record herein that no application has ever been made for the enrollment of Emma Green as a citizen by blood of the Choctaw Nation within the time limited by the provisions of the Act of Congress approved July 1, 1902 (32 Stats 641).

I am, therefore, of the opinion that Emma Green and Evaline Green, should be enrolled as Choctaw freedmen, under the provisions of the Acts of Congress approved June 28, 1898 (30 Stats., 495), and July 1, 1902 (32 Stats., 641), and that following the ruling of the Department in the case of Katie Wilson (I.T.D. 11805, 15526-1905), said applicants are not entitled to enrollment as citizens by blood of the Choctaw Nation, and it is so ordered.



Commissioner.

Muskogee, Indian Territory,

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Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 2, 1907.

Tom W. Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

I inclose herewith a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 2, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of Emma Green and Evaline Green as Choctaw freedmen.

You are hereby advised that the names of Emma Green and Evaline Green will be placed upon the next schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

W. L. R. R. R. *W. L. R. R. R.*

Commissioner.

17-1283.  
Registered.

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Muskogee, Indian Territory , February 2, 1907.

Emma Green,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

I inclose herewith a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 2, 1907, granting the application for your enrollment and the enrollment of Evaline Green as Choctaw freedmen.

You are hereby advised that the names of Emma Green and Evaline Green will be placed upon the next schedule as Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

*[Signature]*  
Special Agent

Commissioner.

17-1283.  
Registered.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 2, 1907.

Mansfield, McMurray & Cornish,  
Attorneys for Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations,  
South McAlester, Indian Territory.

Gentlemen:

Inclosed herewith you will find a copy of the decision of the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, rendered February 2, 1907, granting the application for the enrollment of ~~Kama~~ Emma Green and Evaline Green as Choctaw Freedmen.

You are hereby advised that the names of ~~Kama~~ Emma Green and Evaline Green will be placed upon the next schedule of Choctaw freedmen to be submitted to the Secretary of the Interior for his approval.

Respectfully,

SIGNED *Tamm Bixby*

Commissioner.

17-1283.  
Registered.

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 29, 1901.

Tom W. Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Evaline Green, the infant daughter of Tom W. and Emma Green, born October 10, 1901, and the same being in proper form has been accepted and filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1206

Muskegee, Indian Territory, October 29, 1901.

Glaude Denson,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of the 25th instant, enclosing the application for enrollment as a Chickasaw Freedman of Evaline Green, the infant daughter of Tom W. and Emma Green, born October 10, 1901, and such application being in proper form has been accepted and filed with the records of this office and the child listed for enrollment as a ~~Chickasaw~~ Freedman.

Yours truly,

Acting Chairman.

19-1206



14-1896

Muskogee, Indian Territory August 18, 1904.

Emma Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

In the matter of the enrollment of yourself and your child Evaline Green, as freedmen of the Choctaw Nation, it will be necessary for you to appear before the Commission and testify as to your rights as such freedmen.

Such appearance may be made before the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory, as early as possible, or at the Choctaw Land Office, Atoka Indian Territory, September 8th and 9th 1904, or at the Chickasaw Land Office, Tishomingo Indian Territory, September 21st and 22nd 1904.

Respectfully,

Commissioner in Charge.

Choctaw Freedman  
1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 26, 1904.

Mama Green,

Fort Towson, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 8, asking the status of your enrollment and in reply you are advised that the names of Mama Green and her daughter, Evaline Green, have not yet been placed upon the schedules of Choctaw freedmen prepared for forwarding to the Secretary of the Interior.

If you will communicate with the Commission again in about sixty days you will be notified relative the action taken in your case. Your change of post office address has been made a matter of record.

Respectfully,

Chairman,

17-1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, February 16, 1905.

Emma Green,

Port Towson, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of February 10, 1905, in which you ask if you have been approved.

In reply to your letter you are informed that in the matter of your application for the enrollment of yourself and your daughter Eveline Green it will be necessary for you to appear in person at the office of the Commission at Muskogee, Indian Territory for the purpose of testifying relative to your rights as such freedmen. Such appearance should be made at the earliest practicable date in order that disposition may be made of your application.

Respectfully,

Chairman.

17-1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, September 9, 1905.

Thomas W. Green,  
Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of August 15th, you are advised that final disposition has not as yet been made of the application of Emma Green for the enrollment of herself and her minor child, Evaline Green, as Choctaw Freedmen.

Emma Green has been repeatedly notified to appear before this office and testify as to her right to enrollment as a Choctaw Freedman and until this testimony is presented no disposition can be made of her application for the enrollment of herself and her child.

Respectfully,

Acting Commissioner

Choctaw Freedman  
1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 3, 1905.

Thomas W. Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory,

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 26, in the matter of the application of Emma Green for the enrollment of herself and her child, Evaline Green, as Choctaw freedmen, in which you ask if you can take Emma Green, with her witnesses, before a notary public and have their testimony taken to present to this office in lieu of the personal appearance of Emma Green.

In reply to your letter you are advised that it will be necessary for Emma Green to appear at this office in person for the purpose of giving testimony relative to the right of herself and her child to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

17-1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 5, 1905.

Emma Green,

Valliant, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 26, asking why you and your child are not approved and in reply you are informed that, as you have heretofore been advised, it will be necessary for you to appear in person at this office for the purpose of testifying relative to the right of yourself and your child, Evaline Green, to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Such personal appearance should be as soon as possible in order that disposition may be made of your case.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

17-1283

*Substitute*

Muskogee, Indian Territory, October 6, 1905.

Emma Green,

Valliant, Indian Territory,

Dear Madam:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of September 26, asking why you and your child are not approved and in reply you are informed that, as you have heretofore been advised, it will be necessary for you to appear in person at this office for the purpose of testifying relative to the right of yourself and your child, Evaline Green, to enrollment as Choctaw freedmen.

Such personal appearance should be made as soon as possible in order that disposition may be made of your case.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.



17-1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, July 14, 1906.

Emma Green,

Valliant, Indian Territory.

Dear Madam:

Your letter of June 2, 1906, addressed to the United States Indian Agent has been by him referred to this office for appropriate action. Therein you ask if your enrollment has been approved.

In reply you are advised that no action has yet been taken upon your application for enrollment as a Choctaw freedman, and as you have heretofore been advised it will be necessary for you to appear in person at this office for the purpose of testifying relative to the right to enrollment of yourself and your child, Eveline Green, as Choctaw freedmen, before further action can be taken in your case. Such appearance should be made at the earliest date possible, and notice of the time of such appearance must first be served upon the attorneys for the Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

17-1283

Muskogee, Indian Territory, January 25, 1907.

Thomas W. Green,

Shawneetown, Indian Territory.

Dear Sir:

Receipt is hereby acknowledged of your letter of January 5, 1907, in which you ask if the application for the enrollment of Evaline Green daughter of your former wife Emma Green has been approved.

In reply to your letter you are advised that this case is now receiving consideration and when a decision is reached you will be notified of the action taken therein.

Respectfully,

Commissioner.

*Fredman*

MEMORANDA.

(Date)

*4-22*

1899.

Name

*Emma Green* (17)

Choctaw?

County

*Red River*

Year

No.

*Not on roll*

Chickasaw?

*yes*

County

Year

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

*Chickasaw residing in Choctaw Nation*

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day,

Wife's name,

Choctaw?

County

Year

No.

Chickasaw?

County

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Citizen by blood?

Mother's citizenship

Intermarried citizen?

Married under what law?

License filed this day

Names of children:

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Department of the Interior.

Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes,

MUSKOCOE, IND. TER.



From Green,

Shawnee town, Ind. Ter.

17-11-93

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